

## 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, Marie Shanahan, Brendan Maher, Dan Toohey, Gabrielle Driscoll and Paul McDowell

Supervising Priest: Fr Ed Moloney 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](http://www.sballan.catholic.edu.au)

St. Patrick's Primary School

Principal: Mr Paul McDowell ☎ 5368 9495

[www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au](http://www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au)

### Collections in Church last weekend

Loose	Presbytery: \$	Parish: \$
Planned Giving	Envelopes 2020/21:	\$372.00

### Vicar-General visits the Parishes of Gordon & Bungaree

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decisions will be made prior to general consultations with all parishioners.

### Interim Principal- St. Brigid's School

Jayne Bosworth has been appointed as Interim Principal at St Brigid's in Ballan for Term 3. Jayne has worked in Catholic education as Deputy Principal & Curriculum Leader for the last 5 years & has been in education for 20 years. Jayne is a passionate, enthusiastic & reflective learner, educator & leader who has a clear vision of high-quality education for all children. Jayne is really looking forward to fostering meaningful connections within the parish.

## 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

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

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### Parish Schools

St. Mary's School, Clarkes Hill

Principal: Inez French ☎ 5334 5280

[www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au](http://www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au)

St. Brendan's School, Dunnstown

Principal: Inez French ☎ 5334 7604

[www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au](http://www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au)

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### Sacramental Program

Sacramental Packs are ready for pick up at St. Mary's & St. Brendan's for the children who attend these schools; and the porch at the Parish House (Bungaree Presbytery). The meeting for parents of children wishing to receive the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist has been rescheduled for next Tuesday night, 27th July at 7:30pm. The Sacramental meeting will be via Zoom. Go to Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83912501464?pwd=UkRzWENpbo\\_tWRjIBTFpWY1cwY1ISdz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83912501464?pwd=UkRzWENpbo_tWRjIBTFpWY1cwY1ISdz09)

Meeting ID: 839 1250 1464 Passcode: 214522

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	OFFERTORY	WEEDKDAY MASSES
<b>24/25 July</b>	<b>17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 Kings 4: 42-44; Eph 4: 1-6</b>		
Clarkes Hill-6.30pm	No Mass		Tuesday - 9.30am Bungaree
Gordon-8.45am	No Mass		Wednesday - 9.30am Bungaree
Ballan-10.30am	No Mass		Thursday - 9.30am Bungaree
<b>31 July/1 August</b>	<b>18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Eph 4: 17, 20-24</b>		
Dunnstown-6.30pm	Di Cahir		Friday - 9.30am Bungaree
Gordon-8.45am	Monica Eastwood, Mark Conroy		Saturday - 9.30am Bungaree
Ballan-10.30am	Bert Jarvis, Lin Bowers		Holy Hour - 1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday of each Month
<b>7/8 August</b>	<b>St Mary of the Cross (MacKillop) 1 Kings 17: 8-16; Col 3: 12-17</b>		
Springbank-6.30pm	To be Advised		Friday- Benediction after each 9.30 am mass
Bungaree-8.45am	Julie & Sophie Boyd		Saturday- Reconciliation after 9.30 am mass
Ballan-10.30am	Catherine Green, Sandra Miller		

## LITURGIES /WEEKDAY MASSES

Fr Sajan celebrates mass each weekday morning (except Mondays) - Bungaree 9.30am All Welcome!

	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
<b>Sat 6.30pm</b>	Dunnstown	Springbank	Dunnstown	Clarkes Hill	Springbank
<b>Sun 8.45am</b>	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
<b>Sun 10.30am</b>	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan
	Korobeit Sat 6.30pm ~ Creswick 8.45am ~ Daylesford 10.30am				

**Anniversaries:** Pat O'Neil, Jimmy Toohey, Clare Molloy, Edith Holmes, Patrick Maher, Marie Britt.

**We offer our prayerful support for the sick** Anna Bartaska, Mitchell Prendergast, John Ryan, Mary Cassar, Lyla Geary, Michelle Hall, Moira Myers, Louise Smith, George Roberts, Stan Mahar, Lore Winter, Thelma Keating, Noel Craven, Christine Hall, Alice Gardiner, Eileen Haintz.

### Grandparents Day - 25 July 2021

"I am with you always" (Mt 28:20) is the theme chosen by Pope Francis for this inaugural commemoration. His written message, printed as a Booklet '**I Am With You Always**', will be placed in all churches. You can also watch his message 'I Am With You Always' on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bFUSwj3fjLA>

### National Mass to mark Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Children's Day – August 2

Aboriginal Catholic Ministry are planning a live broadcast of a national Mass to mark National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Children's Day on August 4, 2021 with the theme, "Proud in Culture - Strong in Spirit". Archbishop Peter Comensoli will celebrate this livestreamed Mass at the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry Chapel in Thornbury at 12.00noon. Contact Sherry Balcombe, Manager Aboriginal Catholic Ministry Victoria, ph. 0439 780 899 or email [Sherry.balcombe@cam.org.au](mailto:Sherry.balcombe@cam.org.au) for more information.

### Diocesan Liturgical Commission Membership

The Ballarat Diocesan Liturgical Commission assists the Bishop with diocesan liturgies, liturgical matters of the diocese and provides formation to assist the growth of good liturgical practices. Membership of the Commission includes representation from priests, religious and laity throughout the diocese. The Commission is currently seeking new members from all areas of the diocese. Membership is for an initial term of three (3) years with the option of two further terms (3 years per term). The Commission meets five times per year in Ballarat. Video linking facilities are available for meetings. All members of the Diocesan Liturgical Commission must hold a current Working with Children check or VIT (Victorian Institute of Teaching) registration. Expressions of interest can be forwarded to [liturgy@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:liturgy@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

### Plenary Council Prayer Campaign - Fan the Flame: Towards Plenary Assembly One October 2021

A national campaign has been launched to support a prayerful build-up to the first assembly of the Plenary Council. The "Fan the Flame" campaign is offered as resources for individuals and groups of various sizes and contexts who are providing essential support by praying for the Council journey and specifically for the Council assemblies. Resources are available from <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthefflame/>

*'Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and gave them out to all who were sitting ready' John 6:1-15.*

Grace moves God's people to ask questions grounded in the call we received at Baptism: How do we better nourish, accompany, give witness, support, invite, welcome, engage and be present to others, such that we all grow in holiness? (Prayerful and Eucharistic – Discernment Paper p. 6) [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthefflame/](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthefflame/)

### CSSV Mission Inspired Leadership Program 2021

The Mission Inspired Leadership program is a professional development opportunity for senior leaders (Board members, CEOs, senior/executive managers and emerging leaders) in the Catholic social services sector and other affiliated organisations within health and education. It is designed for busy people so it is set up as four 1.5 hour workshops over four months. A mix of practical knowledge, conceptual challenge and reflective practice, the program is a chance to spend a few hours hearing from experienced, relevant and highly skilled facilitators. It is a space to consider, share and encourage each other in the mission that all our organisations are a part of. This year each of these sessions will be run online via zoom, with an additional face-to-face 'cocktail' networking event in Melbourne for local participants in late November. Further info at <https://css.org.au/events/mil2021/>

### COVID restrictions

On July 15<sup>th</sup>, Bishop Bird wrote to all parishioners on the impact of COVID restrictions on the holding of masses, marriages and funerals. Go to **Notes for Lockdown** at <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Notes-for-lockdown-16-07-2021.pdf>

For parishioners who do not subscribe to the e-copy of the combined newsletter, copies for 18 July 2001 and 25 July 2021 will be available for pick-up before the regular weekend masses during August.

### Prayer for the First World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly

I thank You, Lord, for the comfort of Your presence: even in times of loneliness, You are my hope and my confidence. You have been my rock and my fortress since my youth!

I thank You for having given me a family and for having blessed me with a long life.

I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty, for the dreams that have already come true in my life and for those that are still ahead of me.

I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness to which You call me.

Increase, O Lord, my faith, make me a channel of your peace, teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me, to never stop dreaming and to tell of your wonders to new generations.

Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church, that the light of the Gospel might reach the ends of the earth.

Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world, that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed, the poor consoled and wars ended.

Sustain me in weakness and help me to live life to the full in each moment that You give me, in the certainty that you are with me every day, even until the end of the age.

Amen.