

Third Sunday of Advent (Year C): ~ 11/12 December 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, Marie Shanahan, Brendan Maher, Dan Toohey,
Paul McDowell & Jayne Bosworth



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
St. Patrick's Primary School

Principal: Ms Jayne Bosworth:
Principal: Mr Paul McDowell

☎ 5368 1015
☎ 5368 9495

www.sballan.catholic.edu.au
www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au

Collections in Church last weekend

Loose	Presbytery: \$317.85	Parish: \$144.00
Planned Giving	Envelopes 2020/21:	\$4746.40

Liturgy Readings:

The Parish is inviting all parishioners – young and old – to consider volunteering for liturgy readings this coming year. The Parish is especially supportive of family groups who wish to participate. Coordinators of the liturgy roster are Monica Eastwood (Gordon), Anne Eskdale (Ballan) and Donna Simpson (Springbank), or contact the Parish Secretary at: gordon@ballarat.catholic.org.au

St Brigid's Church - Sunday, December 19: Cuppa and Christmas Cheer after mass. All Welcome.

Anointing Mass – December 22 at 10.30 am

Fr Sajan will celebrate an anointing mass for the parishioners of Bungaree and Gordon at St Brigid's Church, Ballan on Wednesday, 22 December at 10.30 am.

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
St. Brendan's School, Dunnstown

Principal: Inez French ☎ 5334 5280
Principal: Inez French ☎ 5334 7604

www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au
www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au

Collections last weekend:

Presbytery: \$417.00	Parish: \$115.00
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Novel coronavirus (COVID-19)

Keep up-to-date with the latest COVID-19 restrictions at <https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/religion-and-ceremony-regional-victoria>. Updates available from <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/coronavirus-the-churchs-information-and-advice-2/>. Mask requirements, density limits and caps in place for weddings, funerals, places of worship and other settings apply if the vaccination status of attendees is not being checked. The usual exceptions will apply.

Columban Art Calendar-2022

If you wish to receive a copy of the 2022 Columban Calendar, please contact the Parish Secretary.

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	READER/INTERCESSION	OFFERTORY	WEEKDAY MASSES
11/12 December	Third Sunday of Advent Zeph 3: 14-18; Phil 4: 4-7		
Springbank-6.30 pm	To be Arranged		Tuesday – 9.30am Bungaree (50)
Bungaree-8.45 am	A Elliot, O Elliot		Wednesday – 9.30am Bungaree
Ballan-10.30 am	Catherine Green		Thursday – 9.30am Bungaree
18/19 December	Fourth Sunday of Advent Micah 5: 1-4; Heb 10: 5-10		
Dunnstown-6.30 pm	Katrina Griffiths		Friday – 9.30am Bungaree
Gordon-8.45 am	Kate Carey		Saturday – 9.30am Bungaree
Ballan-10.30 am	Julie Dargan		Holy Hour – 1 st Thursday of each Month
1 January	Mary, the Holy Mother of God Num 6: 22-27; Gal 4: 4-7		
Dunnstown-6.30 pm	To be Arranged		Friday- Benediction after 9.30 am mass
2 January	The Epiphany of the Lord Is 60: 1-6; Eph 3: 2-3, 5-6		
Gordon-8.45 am	To be Arranged		Saturday-Reconciliation after 9.30am mass
Ballan-10.30 am	To be Arranged		

LITURGIES / WEEKDAY MASSES

Fr Sajan celebrates mass each weekday morning (except Mondays) - Bungaree 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	Clarkes Hill	Springbank
Sun 8.45am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan
	Korobeit Sat 6.30pm ~ Creswick 8.45am ~ Daylesford 10.30am				



Anniversaries: Peter Quinlan, Maurice Torpy, Maureen Frawley, Ron Devlin, John Senserrick, Raymond Butler, Jessie Robinson, Bill Maher, Margaret Clifford, Ronald Graham, Margaret Fuller and Brian Shanahan.

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

Baptisms: We welcome Billy Rix who will be baptised this weekend at St Michael's Church, Springbank and Leo Crough who will be baptised at St Peter's Church, Clarkes Hill into our faith community. We also celebrate the anniversary of Toby Quinlan, Nellie Rix and Penny Rose Martin who were baptised during the month of December. *Lord God, strengthen your spirit in them, so they may walk in the newness of life.*

OLHC Parish Wendouree Christmas Day Lunch: OLHC Parish Wendouree volunteers will be preparing free, hot Christmas meals for people to collect on Christmas Day. This is the 30th year the parish has provided Christmas lunch for those in need. Bookings are essential, ph. 0419 975 914 or email christmaslunchwendouree@gmail.com. Arrangements can be made for those unable to collect meals.

St John of God Healthcare Ballarat - Pastoral Associate Role

The hospital has exciting opportunities available for dedicated and committed Pastoral Associates to join the Pastoral Services team in promoting the Mission and Values of St John of God Health Care. To view the job description and/or to apply, go to the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/our-diocese/employment/>

Vinnies Christmas Kindness Appeal: This Christmas donate to Vinnies. Your gift can change a life. There are families who are experiencing poverty and homelessness this Christmas and your help can provide them with much needed essentials like food, clothes and a place to call home. Go to <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/christmas-kindness>

Making a Scene at Christmas: A display of over 500 nativities from more than 60 countries will be held in the Bridge Mall Ballarat on December 4 & 5, 11-20 2021. Entry by gold coin donation. All welcome. More info available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/our-diocese/making-a-scene-at-christmas/>

Praying with Pope Francis: Each month the Pope puts forward a prayer intention and asks all Catholics around the world to join him in prayer. Praying each month 'The Pope Video' forms part of the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network – view at www.thepopevideo.org. Pope's intention for December: **Evangelisation-Catechists:** *Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God. May they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the spirit.*

Christmas Mass Times:

Friday, December 24 (Christmas Eve)

The Nativity of the Lord Isa 9: 1-7; Titus 2: 11-14

St Peter's Clarkes Hill	6 pm	Fully Vaccinated	St Michael's Springbank	6 pm	Fully Vaccinated
St Michael's Bungaree	8 pm	Fully Vaccinated	St Patrick's Gordon	7.30 pm	Fully Vaccinated

Saturday, December 25 (Christmas Day)

The Nativity of the Lord Isa 52 :7-10; Heb 1: 1-6

St Brendan's Dunnstown	9.30 am	Fully Vaccinated	St Brigid's Ballan	9 am	Fully Vaccinated
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Sunday, December 26

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph 1 Sam 1: 20-22, 24-28

St Brendan's Dunnstown	8.45 am	Fully Vaccinated	St Brigid's Ballan	10.30 am	Fully Vaccinated
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Fully Vaccinated – You must be able to show proof of double vaccination if asked by a COVID Safe Marshall