

The Baptism of the Lord (Year C): ~ 8/9 January 2022

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: \$402.30	Parish: \$53.20
Planned Giving	Envelopes 2020/21:	\$6,165.60

Christmas Dues as of 2 January: \$955.00.

Thank You:

We thank all who give generously to each of these collections. Donations to the Parish are vital to the sustainability of our parish community.

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

Update:

Fr Justin Driscoll will be on leave for one month. He will take up the position of Parish Priest during the second week of February 2022. Fr Sajan will continue to celebrate mass in the Parish of Gordon in accordance with the regular schedule.

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

✉ bungaree@ballarat.catholic.org.au ~ 🌐 www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (follow parish links)

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:	\$608.00	Parish:	\$445.00
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Christmas Dues as of 2 January: \$725.00

Ministry and Cleaning Rosters for 2022 - St Michael's Church, Bungaree:

The Ministry List and Cleaning Roster have been updated for 2022. If you have not yet received an electronic copy, hard copies of the List and

Roster have been placed at the back of St Michael's Church.

Columban Art Calendar-2022:

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

	READER/INTERCESSION	OFFERTORY	WEEKDAY MASSES
8/9 January	The Baptism of the Lord Isa 40: 1-5, 9-11		
Springbank-6.30 pm	To be Arranged		Tuesday – 9.30am Bungaree
Bungaree-8.45 am	Julie & Sophie Boyd		Wednesday – 9.30am Bungaree
Ballan-10.30 am	Julie Dargan		Thursday – 9.30am Bungaree
15/16 January	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Isa 62: 1-5, 1 Cor 12: 4-11		
Dunnstown-6.30 pm	To be Arranged		Friday – 9.30am Bungaree
Gordon-8.45 am	To be Arranged		Saturday – 9.30am Bungaree
Ballan-10.30 am	Anne Eskdale		Holy Hour – 1st Thursday of each Month
22/23 January	3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Neh 8: 2-6, 8-10; cf. Lk 4: 18		
Clarkes Hill-6.30 pm	Julie Moran		Friday- Benediction after 9.30 am mass
Gordon-8.45 am	To be Arranged		Saturday-Reconciliation after 9.30am mass
Ballan-10.30 am	Winnie Zammit		



LITURGIES / WEEKDAY MASSES					
<i>Fr Sajan celebrates mass each weekday morning (except Mondays) - Bungaree 9.30am All Welcome!</i>					
	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					

Recent Deaths: Margaret Conroy

Anniversaries: Francis Thyne, Joseph Palfi, Katalin Dusa, George Dusa, Brian (Mick) O'Neil, Gwen Shanahan, Maisie Carey, Jack Shanahan, Patricia Coulson, Patrick Moran, Sam Borg, Joe Teuma, Joseph Maher, Tess Dridan, Stephen Haintz, Susan McDermott, Maurine Kiely and Henry Spratling.

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, Eileen Haintz and Leon Burvill.

Synod of Bishops: Catholics across Australia are invited to participate in a period of local consultation for the next international Synod of Bishops, which has the theme, "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission". The People of God are invited to use a guided, prayerful reflection method to consider a series of questions and make submissions via an online portal. Submissions will help the Bishops develop a national report to support the global process leading to an international gathering in 2023. Go to: <http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>

Are you a Spiritual Leader? The Spiritual Leaders Program is an online (via Zoom) one-year, part-time program and will be a mix of selected Thursday evenings, Saturdays, and a 3-day Intensive. The program, which commences in March 2022, focuses on personal integration of the theory and practice of a contemplative, discerning approach to pastoral ministry. Closing date for applications is 28 January 2022. Places are limited. Apply to Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation in Malvern, VIC. Fee-Help is available to qualifying participants. Telephone 03 9890 1101 or go to: www.heartoflife.melbourne

Job Opportunity – Diocesan Director for Catholic Mission with responsibility for the Dioceses of Ballarat and Sandhurst (West Victoria) For a position description and short video on what it is like to work at Catholic Mission, go to <https://www.catholicmission.org.au/jobs-at-catholic-mission>. If you are interested, please submit a cover letter of 1 page and a resume no longer than 3 pages to employment@catholicmission.org.au.

Pathways Response Victoria The Victorian Catholic Bishops launched Pathways Response Victoria which will provide a further way of responding to those who have suffered abuse in the Catholic community. Pathways Response Victoria will be the successor to Towards Healing and The Melbourne Response from the start of 2022. More information is available at <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/pathways-response-victoria/>

Highways and Byways Small Grants Program 2022 The 2022 Highways and Byways Small Grants Program is now open for applications. The theme is Healing the Land – Healing Ourselves – Together. Grants of up to \$3,000 are available to community organisations, especially in rural and regional areas, for projects that focus on healing the land in holistic ways and increasing opportunities to build community through practical projects, leadership and skills acquisition, and knowledge transfer. For more information go to <https://highwaysandbyways.org.au/grants/>

Dropping off the Edge 2021. Jesuit Social Services have released their recent research into social and economic disadvantage in Australia. The report will be used to advocate State, Territory and Federal Governments for tailored, targeted and long-term work to create better outcomes for future generations. Learn more about *Dropping off the Edge 2021* at www.dote.org.au

ACU EthicsFinder *EthicsFinder* is a user friendly, expertly curated ethics search engine database intended to be a one-stop-shop for ethics inquiry, with a particular focus on ethical thought within the Catholic intellectual tradition. *EthicsFinder* links to thousands of influential and reputable articles, books, and videos which have been curated by an international network of close to 100 academics. From bioethics to environmental ethics, *EthicsFinder* spans a range of popular topics in life, love, politics, ethics, philosophy and culture, seeking to bring Catholic positions into dialogue with reason-based critique of those positions. *EthicsFinder* also arranges and collates Church teaching by topic and magisterial authority, offering users a unique and accessible way to navigate the vast breadth of Church teaching. It is our great hope that *EthicsFinder* will be immensely useful for students, scholars and anyone seeking to nourish their mind and their faith in these highly topical areas. You can view the *EthicsFinder* video launch at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dy6_YVlk2X0. Go to the *EthicsFinder* homepage at <https://ethics.acu.edu.au>