

Pentecost Sunday (B): 18/19 May 2024

THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF BUNGAREE AND GORDON

St Peter's, Clarkes Hill ~ St Brendan's, Dunnstown ~ St Michael's, Bungaree
St. Brigid's, Ballan ~ St. Patrick's, Gordon ~ St. Michael's, Springbank

Our Parish acknowledges this land's traditional owners & custodians and pay our respects to Elders past, present, & emerging.



We are child safe Parishes, committed to safeguarding children, young people & vulnerable adults.

Parish Priest: Fr. Justin Driscoll, Assistant Priest: **Fr Matt Restall**
Parish Secretary and Safeguarding Officer: Aileen Toohey
Parish Office attended Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9.30am–2.30pm.
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Parish Schools & Principals

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Parish Leadership Teams

Bungaree: Damian Ryan & Chris Frawley (Bungaree) Barry Sheehan & Dianne Reynolds (Dunnstown)
Dom Prendergast & Marty Forbes (Clarkes Hill).

Gordon Parish: Sue Daly & Brendan Maher (Springbank), Joan Bourke & Shane Carey (Gordon), Mark Conlan & Jim Leahy (Ballan).

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

Collections Bungaree:

Presbytery: \$NA		Parish: \$NA
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Collections Gordon:

Presbytery: \$558.05		Parish: \$455.00
Financial Yr to Date: \$34715.15		

We are very grateful to all our parishioners for their contributions to these collections.

Mid-week Masses

St Brigid's Ballan Thursday May 23rd 10.30am
St. Michael's Bungaree on Friday, May 24th at 9.30am
St Alipius' Ballarat East, 9.30am Tuesday – Saturday.

Celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation

As we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, the Gordon parish is celebrating the sacrament of Confirmation at the 10.30 am Mass at St Brigid's Ballan, with our children who have been part of the Parish coordinated, family based and Catholic school supported sacrament program.
We welcome all families and friends who have come to celebrate with us. Thank you to Therese Winter who

coordinates the sacramental preparation for the Gordon parish. We also thank Jayne Bosworth and Paul McDowell, the Principals of our two parish schools as well as Libby Jerram, the Religious Education Leader at St Pat's Primary in Gordon. We pray for all of our children as they celebrate these sacraments of initiation.

Mass Count: The Annual Diocesan Mass Count May. This week the Mass count will be for attendance at Dunnstown, Gordon and Ballan. Counting forms have been placed in the Churches. Please nominate parishioners who will record the count for every Mass held in the parish on each of the four weekends. The completed form/s must be returned to the Parish Office by the end of the month.

Pope's intention for May – for the formation of men and women religious and seminarians: Let us pray that men and women religious, and seminarians, grow in their vocational journey through human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, that leads them to be credible witnesses of the Gospel. Lord, hear us.

MASS DATES & TIMES	READER/INTERCESSION	OFFERTORY
18/19 May 2024	Pentecost Sunday Acts 1: 1-11, Eph 1: 17-23	
Dunnstown – 6.30 pm	Dianne Reynolds	
Gordon – 9 am	To be Advised	
Ballan – 10.30 am	Rosemary Canavan	Lorraine DeSpirt & Vikki Boka
25/26 May 2024	The Most Holy Trinity Deut 4: 32-34, 39-40, Rom 8: 14-17	
Clarkes Hill – 6.30 pm	Marty Forbes	Joan Powell
Gordon – 9 am	To be Advised	
Ballan – 10.30 am	Lloyd Lamb	Kelly Hunter and Family
1/2 June 2024	The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ	
Dunnstown – 6.30 pm	Trish Ryan	
Gordon – 9 am	To be Advised	
Ballan – 10.30 am	Tania Hoffman	Ciaran, Janine & Connor Donohue

LITURGIES /WEEKLY MASSES					
	1 st Sunday	2 nd Sunday	3 rd Sunday	4 th Sunday	5 th Sunday
Saturday 6.30pm	Dunnstown	Springbank	Dunnstown	Clarkes Hill	Springbank
Sunday 8.45am, 9am*	Gordon*	Bungaree	Gordon*	Gordon*	Bungaree
Sunday 10.30am	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan
Vigil Mass ~ Ballarat East 6pm; Sunday Masses ~ Ballarat East 9am ; Buninyong 10.30 am (1st & 3rd & 5th Sunday)					
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Recent deaths: Mary Conroy (Funeral Mass at Ballan at 11am on Monday 20th May)

Anniversaries: Lillian Cullinan, Bill Deveraux, Tom Owens, James McDermott, Bryan Frawley, Fr. Bill Moroney, Jack Mahar, Mary Smith, Stan Maher, William Borchert, Iala Wise, Albert Henry Jarvis, Keith Holmes, Nell Wise and Peter Davies.

We offer our prayers for the sick: Christine Hall, Mary Cassar, Michelle Hall, Louise Smith, George Roberts, Thelma Keating, Noel Craven, Alice Gardiner, John Healy, Elaine Conlan, Karem Chiparra, Evelyn Farrugia, Pat Burvill, Patricia (Patty) Gannon, Ray Broach, Owen Widdison and (baby) Mia Hanrahan.

Baptisms: We pray for Frankie Mae and Tommy George Haintz, children of Brant and Taylor; Odie Jack Anderson, son of Lucas and Alarna; and Archer Thomas Davie, son of Alexander and Bianca who will be baptised this Sunday in St Patrick's Church Gordon. We welcome them into our faith communities. *Lord God, strengthen your spirit in them, so that they may walk in the newness of life.*

Golden Jubilee: On May 24th Fr Michael O'Toole who was our Parish Priest for so many years of his ministry, marks his 50th year of dedicated service to the Church and our Diocese. We extend our heartfelt congratulations and sincere thanks to Fr Michael O'Toole. We have arranged for a card and a small token of our appreciation to be sent on behalf of the Parish of Gordon.

Parishes of Bungaree and Gordon - Safetrac compliance online training

The Safetrac online training has commenced. Volunteers notified by email are requested to complete the training module, "Creating a Child Safe Organisation" before the closing date. Some parishioners have reported problems logging into the Safetrac portal. Please read the instructions carefully. If you cannot log-in to Safetrac Enrolments, ring Aileen on 0492 903 409 so she can inform the Professional Standards Office.

Who needs to complete the Safetrac compliance online training?

All parishioners who undertake volunteer roles including Ministers of the Eucharist, liturgy preparation and music, readers, sacristans as well as Ministers of Communion to the Sick are required to complete this training. Volunteers who do not have an email address or would prefer to join a small group to complete the training course are asked to attend a training session in person. One training session will be held in the Gathering Space, Ballan on Thursday, May 30th at 11.30am (after the 10.30 am mass), and another training session will be held in the Parish Office, Bungaree Presbytery on Friday, June 1st at 10.30 am (after the 9.30am mass). No need to bring anything, except yourself. All materials and resources available on the day. If you have any questions, please ring Aileen on 0492 903.

Commissioning Rite for Pentecost Sunday 2024

Presentation of members of the community who have particular ministries in our community who engage in particular ministries in our parishes will be invited to stand to be commissioned for their service.

Presider:

Dear friends, we acknowledge these members of our parish who have responded to the call to particular ministries within our community and wish to recommit themselves to service.

Will you undertake your role with humility and love? **R: I will.**

Will you strive to give an example of Christian living? **R: I will.**

Will you seek to grow in holiness through serving those in need? **R: I will.**

In your ministry, will you observe Christ's command that we should love one another as he has loved us? **R: I will.**

Presider:

Dear friends, let us ask God to bless these members of our parish, commissioned for particular services in our community and let us pray for blessings on us all.

We pray for a few moments in silence.

Presider: Gracious God, we ask you to bless these members of our community in their varied roles of service in our parish. May Christ be with them in their ministries day by day. We ask you to bless us all. May your Spirit enlighten our minds and guide our actions that we may be renewed in faith, united in love, and play our part in the mission of your Church. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**