

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B): 26/27 October 2024

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.

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

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 Leadership Teams

Bungaree Parish: 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

Combined Presbytery (5/6 and 12/13 Oct): \$1447.90

Weekdays Masses

Tuesday 29th 1.30pm Ballarat East Funeral Mass for Kevin Cummins

Wednesday 30th 11.00am Mercy Place

Thursday 31st 10.3am Ballan

Friday November 1st All Saints Day

9.30am Ballarat East

6.30pm Vigil Mass Ballarat East for All Souls Day

Saturday November 2nd 9.30am Ballarat East

'St Brendan's Program @ Dunnstown

Damascus College presented their plans to a well-attended community forum during the past week. Commencing in term 2 2025, groups of 75 Damascus College Year 8 students will attend school at the St Brendan's Campus in Dunnstown, travelling out from the Mt Clear Campus each day. Damascus is keen to engage the Dunnstown community to ensure the legacy of the community is carried forward.

Save the dates!

- Bungaree Cemetery Mass 9.00am Sunday morning November 10th at Pootilla Cemetery
- Gordon Cemetery Mass 11.00am Sunday Nov 17th
- Combined Parishes Pre-Christmas event Sunday evening December 1st @ Donegan's Farm
- St Michael's Church Springbank 125th Vigil Mass Saturday March 29th 2025 6.30pm Mass
- St Patrick's Church Gordon 150th 10.30am Mass Sunday May 18th 2025.

Diocesan e-News

The latest edition of e-News has been published and is available to view at <https://mailchi.mp/1cc27b72fe24/edition-119-february-15-14187629>. You can also view this edition at <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/news-events/e-news/> or you can subscribe on this page to receive future editions straight to your email address.

MASS DATES & TIMES	READER/INTERCESSION	OFFERTORY
26/27 October 2024	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Jer 31:7-9, Heb 5:1-6	
Clarkes Hill – 6.30 pm	Dom Prendergast	Helen Mahar
Gordon – 9.00 am	To be Advised	
Ballan – 10.30 am	Julie Dargan/Jim Leahy	Ciaran, Janine & Connor Donohue
2/3 November 2024	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time: Deut 6: 2-6 Heb 7:23-28	
Dunnstown – 6.30 pm	Liz Hanrahan	
Gordon – 9.00 am	To be Advised	
Ballan – 10.30 am	Winnie Zammit	Mark and Sue Conlan
9/10 November 2024	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: 1 Kings 17:10-16, Heb 9:24-28	
Springbank – 6.30 pm	To be Advised	
Pootilla Cemetery – 9.00 am	To be Advised	
Ballan –10.30 am	Rosemary Canavan	Eddie And Mary Cassar

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 9am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sunday 10.30am	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan
Vigil Mass ~ Ballarat East 6pm; Sunday ~ Ballarat East 9am ; Buninyong 10.30 am (1st & 3rd & 5th Sunday) Vigil Mass ~ Ballarat East 6pm; Sunday ~ Buninyong 9am ; Ballarat East 10.30 am (2nd & 4th Sunday)					



Catholic Mission Month

Recent deaths: Kevin Cummins

Anniversaries: Bronislaw Blazek, Brian Britt, Monica Burke, Philip Calilleri, Dorothy Conlan, Leo Crough, Carmen Duca, Patrick Elliott, Bill Hall, Alma Holloway, Desmond Kane, Kathleen Kennedy, Leo Leonard, Reg Mullane, Anne Rutledge, Eileen Ryan, Martin Seiger.

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

Synod preacher: Even if delegates are disappointed by results, God is at work through the synod



VATICAN CITY (CNS) Even if some members of the Synod of Bishops end up feeling disappointed by the results of the synod, “God’s providence is at work in this assembly, bringing us to the Kingdom in ways that God alone knows,” the spiritual adviser to the synod on synodality told them.

“The triumph of the good cannot be frustrated,” and “we may be at peace whatever the result” of the synod’s monthlong second session, said Cardinal-designate Timothy Radcliffe, offering his morning reflection in the Vatican’s Paul VI Audience Hall Oct. 21.

He also cautioned people, especially the media, against trying to look for “startling decisions, headlines” to come out of the final text, saying, at a Vatican briefing with reporters, that that would be a mistake. The document will need to be read as something seeking to bring deep renewal of the church not “through dramatic decisions, but it evokes new ways of being a church in which we relate to each other much more profoundly in Christ and to Christ much more profoundly with each other,” he said at the afternoon briefing.

“I think many people in the synod, out of the synod, in the church, still struggle to understand the nature of the synod. They still tend to see it as a parliamentary body which will make big administrative, structural changes. I think it’s natural because that’s the model that dominates our world,” he told reporters. “But we’ve seen and it’s been repeated endlessly that is not the sort of body it is.” The world is experiencing growing “violence and war, social disintegration. You’ve only to look at the election process in the United States to see how there is a danger of social collapse,” he said. “In this perilous difficult moment, I think the church has a very particular vocation to be a sign of Christ’s peace and Christ’s communion and that means all sorts of steps which will not make headlines.”

“Christ has set us free,” he said, and “our mission is to preach and embody this freedom.” This freedom, however, has two features: “It is the freedom to say what we believe and to listen without fear to what others say, in mutual respect,” he said, and it is the freedom of knowing that God always works for the good of those who love God. “God’s providence is gently, silently at work even when things seem to go wrong,”

Cardinal-designate Radcliffe said. “If we have only the freedom to argue for our positions, we shall be tempted by the arrogance of those who, in the words of (Jesuit Father Henri) de Lubac, see themselves as ‘the incarnate norm of orthodoxy.’ We shall end up beating the drums of ideology, whether of the left or the right,” he said. “If we have only the freedom of those who trust in God’s providence but dare not wade into the debate with our own convictions, we shall be irresponsible and never grow up,” he added. “God’s freedom works in the core of our own freedom, welling up inside us.”

Catholic Social Services
Victoria

Thursday, 31 October: 1.45–3.00pm
Location: Online via Zoom
Registrations required

‘Lets build respectful communities’ Launch

Family and domestic violence prevention resources for parishes

Equipping parish communities to:
RECOGNISE | RESPOND | PREVENT
Domestic and Family Violence

Let’s Building Respectful Church Communities: Brochure Launch CSSV

Catholic Social Services Victoria (CSSV) has developed a brochure and poster as resources for parishes and the wider Catholic community to raise awareness and work to prevent family violence.

Parishioners are invited to join the launch on Thursday, October 31, 2024 from 1.45pm – 3.00pm via zoom. RSVP by 30 October 2024 at <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1294275>. Enquiries to Kate Stilwell, email office@css.org.au