

# Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (B): 16/17 November 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 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** (2/3 Nov & 9/10 Nov)      \$1642.00

**Liturgies during the coming week**

Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	5.30pm	Ballarat East
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	<b>Bungaree</b>
	11.00am	Mercy Place
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	10.30am	<b>Ballan</b>
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30am	Ballarat East
	10.00am	Buninyong Funeral Prayers
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30am	Ballarat East

**November Remembrance Masses**

The *Gordon Parish* will celebrate Mass at the Gordon Cemetery on **Sunday November 17th at 11.00am** with Mass celebrated at Ballan at 9.00am.

In case of inclement weather, Mass will be held at the Gordon Church. Some chairs are supplied, but attendees are encouraged to bring a chair/mat.

**Meeting to celebrate the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Parish of Gordon**

A meeting will be held at St Patrick's Primary School Gordon on Wednesday 4th December at 4.00pm to plan the celebration of the Parish 150-year anniversary. All most welcome to attend.

**Save the dates!**

- Combined Parishes Pre-Christmas event Sunday evening December 1<sup>st</sup> @ Donegan's Farm
- St Michael's Church Springbank 125<sup>th</sup> Vigil Mass Saturday March 29<sup>th</sup> 2025 6.30pm Mass
- St Patrick's Church Gordon 150<sup>th</sup> 10.30am Mass Sunday May 18<sup>th</sup> 2025.

**Praying with Pope Francis: Prayer for November:** *For those who have lost a child: Let us pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and may receive peace of heart from the Spirit of Consolation. Lord, hear us.*

MASS DATES & TIMES	READER/INTERCESSION	OFFERTORY
<b>16/17 November 2024</b>	<b>33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time: Dan 12:1-13, Heb 10:11-14, 18</b>	
Dunnstown – 6.30 pm	Dianne Reynolds	
Ballan – <b>9am*</b> (this week only)	Lloyd Lamb	Bridget Sims and Family
<b>Gordon Cemetery –11 am</b>	To be Advised	
<b>23/24 November 2024</b>	<b>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe: Dan 7:13-14, Apoc 1:5-8</b>	
Clarkes Hill – 6.30 pm	Con Powell	Joan Powell
Gordon – 9.00 am	To be Advised	
Ballan –10.30 am	Tania Hoffman	Edith & Tony Paarhammer
<b>30 November/1 December 2024</b>	<b>First Sunday of Advent: Jer 33:14-16, 1 Thess 3:12–4:2</b>	
Dunnstown – 6.30 pm	Trish Ryan	
Gordon – 9.00 am	To be Advised	
Ballan –10.30 am	Catherine Green	Jim Leahy & Julie Dargan

LITURGIES /WEEKLY MASSES					
	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
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 ~ <b>Ballarat East 9am</b> ; Buninyong 10.30 am (1st & 3rd & 5th Sunday) Vigil Mass ~ Ballarat East 6pm; Sunday ~ <b>Buninyong 9am</b> ; Ballarat East 10.30 am (2nd & 4th Sunday)					

**Recent Death:** Robert Page

**Anniversaries:** William Barry, Frank Bartaska, Thomas Bawden, James Britt, Robert (Bobby) Britt, Richard Butler, Katherin Mary Clarke, Michael Dyer, Joe Fitzpatrick, Mathew George, Ted Holloway, Louisa Jarvis, Catherine Keating, Jack McEldrew, Graeme Mason, Vincent Maher, Geraldine Nihill, Kath O'Hehir, Mary Ryan, Maudie Smallman, Matthew Steenhuis, Frank Teuma, Steven Tingate, Margaret Tynan.

**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, Barry Mullane, George Roberts, Owen Widdison.

### **World Day of the Poor – Sunday, November 17, 2024**

The 8th celebration of World Day of the Poor will be marked this Sunday. Pope Francis has chosen a particularly meaningful theme this year dedicated to prayer, as we approach the beginning of the Ordinary Jubilee of 2025, "The prayer of the poor rises up to God" (cf. Sir 21:5). The Dicastery for Evangelisation website has resources for this day which includes the Pope's message and the Liturgical and Pastoral Handbook, "The Prayer of the Poor Rises Up" <http://www.evangelizatio.va/content/pcpne/en/attivita/gmdp/2024.html>

### **Diocesan Assembly**

The Diocesan Assembly was held on Friday evening and Saturday at Federation University, Mt Helen. The assembly included delegates from all parishes, representatives from religious congregations, diocesan committees, health services, aged care, school communities and the Catholic Education Office, CatholicCare social services, organisations such as the St Vincent de Paul Society, Catholic Women's League and Australian Catholic University, as well as the priests of our diocese. The focus was on the theme of leadership and governance, looking at 'How Does God want us to lead and govern for a Missionary Synodal Church in the Diocese of Ballarat'. Both the Australian Plenary Council and the recent Synod of Synodality encourage us to develop leadership and governance in a synodal way. We pray that the diocesan assembly will bear fruit that will bring blessings to everyone in our diocese. May we learn more and more to walk together, guided by the Spirit of Christ.

### **Ordination to the Priesthood Mass & Thanksgiving Mass: Deacon Cay Trinh**

Deacon Cay Trinh will be ordained a priest for the Diocese of Ballarat on Saturday, November 23, 2024 at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at 10.30am. All welcome to attend. A light lunch will follow in the Hall. For those not able to attend, the Mass will be livestreamed at <https://youtube.com/live/mbXDPuGpoYg?feature=share>

### **End of Year, Pre-Christmas gathering at Donegan's Farm**

This year's pre-Christmas gathering will be held on Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at 6.00pm. Dinner: \$35 per person; Payment: cash or card at the door. Registration: Complete the sign-in sheet in the Ballan and Gordon churches or contact the Parish Office: email: [gordon@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:gordon@ballarat.catholic.org.au) mobile: 0492 903 409. Bookings close on Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>. All parishioners of the communities of Ballan, Bungaree, Clarkes Hill, Dunnstown, Gordon and Springbank are invited to come together to celebrate our year together.

### **Anniversaries at St Alipius' Ballarat East**

2024 is a significant year for St Alipius' Church in Ballarat East. With the broader community we are remembering the 170<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Eureka rebellion on December 3<sup>rd</sup> including the involvement of Peter Lalor, Fr Patrick Smyth and the Catholics of the Ballarat Goldfields.

2024 is also the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of the existing St Alipius' Church in Victoria St. Mass was first celebrated on the Ballarat Goldfields at Brown Hill in 1851 before relocating to the existing Victoria St site in 1853 where the tent-church-school (as captured by artist Eugene Von Gerrard) was erected.

These anniversaries are providing parishioners with opportunities to acknowledge the strengths and weaknesses of our history as well the opportunity to look to the future with hope and healing.

All are welcome to gather at St Alipius Church for 6.00pm Mass on Saturday evening December 14<sup>th</sup> 2024. Following the Mass all are invited to stay in the Church grounds for a byo picnic tea in the Church grounds with a bbq available. Hot and cold drinks will be available. Photographic displays from across the years are being collated as well as stories of 'people of St Alipius' being recorded. For more information, please contact the Ballarat East Parish office on 5332 6611 [ballarateast@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:ballarateast@ballarat.catholic.org.au). For catering purposes, please RSVP no later than December 7<sup>th</sup>.