

# Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (B): 23/24 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

### Weekday Masses this week

Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Mercy Place
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Ballarat East
	10.30am	Ballan
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Ballarat East
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Ballarat East

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

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

### From the Bungaree Cemetery Trust

Fr Justin and the Clarkes Hill Church community have received a letter of thanks from the Trust "for allowing the Trust to include the unveiling of the Plaque for the Common and Unknown Graves after the Remembrance Mass held on Sunday (November 12<sup>th</sup>).

*It is the final act we can do for these people...We were delighted by the number of people who came and expressed their gratitude that the monument was placed*

*there...Thanks go to Julie Moran for her co-ordination between the Church and the Trust."*

As a parish we also thank those who made the Mass possible through their preparation for Mass to be celebrated at the Cemetery - providing an altar, chairs, P.A. system, music and song, readings and prayers.

### 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>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
<b>7/8 December 2024</b>	<b>Second Sunday of Advent: Bar 5:1-9, Phil 1:3-6, 8-11</b>	
Springbank – 6.30 pm	To be Advised	
Bungaree – 9.00 am	To be Advised	
Ballan –10.30 am	Jayne Bosworth	Rosemary & Michael Canavan

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)					

**Anniversaries:** Mary Canty, Doreen Conroy, Barry Flynn, Fredrick Giles, Jack Glenane, Kevin Glenane, Winnie Leonard, Andrew Lund, Peter McDermott, Ed McDonald, Tommy McGuane, Mary Mahar, Basil Maher, Carmen Maher, Frances Maher, Mary Molloy, Kath Murphy, Mary O’Leary, Troy Toohey.

**We offer our prayers for the sick:** Ray Broach, Pat Burvill, Karem Chiparra, Elaine Conlan, Evelyn Farrugia, Patricia (Patty) Gannon, Christine Hall, Michelle Hall, (baby) Mia Hanrahan, John Healy, Thelma Keating, Barry Mullane, Owen Widdison.

**Baptism:** We welcome Evie Mary Robinson, daughter of Ashley and Mollie, who will be baptised this Saturday during the vigil mass at St Peter’s Church, Clarkes Hill. We welcome her into our faith community. *Lord God, strengthen your spirit in them, so that they may walk in the newness of life.*

**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:** All are welcome to gather at St Alipius Church for 6.00pm Mass on Saturday evening December 14<sup>th</sup>. Following the Mass all are invited to stay in the Church grounds for a byo picnic tea. For more info, 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>.

**St Vincent de Paul Donor Impact Report - Spring 2024:** The objective of the St Vincent de Paul Society Victoria (Vinnies Victoria) *Donor Impact Report Spring 2024* is to express their gratitude and provide an update to donors on the positive impact of their efforts and contributions. The report showcases the real difference that is being made in the lives of those they serve. To read the report go to: <https://css.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/vic-svpdv-spring2024.pdf>

### Ecumenical Service Remembering Victims and Survivors of Family Violence

The Catholic Social Services Victoria ecumenical service, “Holding the Light” offers an opportunity to remember and mourn those who have been killed as a result of domestic violence, to stand in solidarity with victim survivors and to reflect and commit ourselves to addressing the causes of violence in our communities. The service will be held on Wednesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 5pm at St Alipius Church, Ballarat East.

### From the Diocesan Assembly:

A formal report on the Assembly held at Federation University Mt Helen last weekend on Leadership and Governance for a Missionary Synodal Church will be released in the coming weeks. In the meantime, our newsletters for the coming weeks will include reflections from parishioners in attendance as either delegates or facilitators. (see insert).

### Christmas Mass times across the Ministry District

Following consultation with the Bungaree and Gordon Parish Leadership Teams and the Ballarat East Parish Liturgy Team, the schedule for 2024 will be:

#### Christmas Eve (Tuesday December 24<sup>th</sup>)

- 4.00pm Mercy Place Ballarat East
- 5.30pm Ballan
- 6.00pm Ballarat East
- 6.30pm Clarkes Hill
- 7.00pm Gordon
- 7.30pm Buninyong
- 9.00pm Ballarat East

#### Christmas Day (Wednesday December 25<sup>th</sup>)

- 9.00am Ballarat East
- 9.00am Dunnstown

Each of the three parishes will have one less Christmas Mass than 2023. There will not be a Christmas Mass in either Bungaree or Springbank.

The Gordon Parish Leadership Team have decided that the Gordon and Springbank communities will alternate hosting both Christmas and Easter Sunday Masses each year.

The above schedule is reliant on the generosity of Frs Kevin Maloney and Wally Tudor assisting Frs Justin and Matt.