

Faith communities of Ballan, Ballarat East, Bungaree, Buninyong, Clarkes Hill, Dunnstown, Gordon and Springbank

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# Ministry District Newsletter

Our parishes are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people, and vulnerable adults

## 5th Sunday of Lent (Year C) – 6<sup>th</sup> April 2025

MINISTRY DISTRICT MASS TIMES			
WEEKDAY MASSES			
Tuesday April 8 <sup>th</sup>	5.30 pm	Ballarat East	
Wednesday April 9 <sup>th</sup>	11 am	Mercy Place	
Thursday April 10 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Ballarat East	
	10.30 am	Ballan (Anointing)	
Friday April 11 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Bungaree (Anointing)	
	11 am	Ballarat East (Anointing)	
Saturday April 12 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Ballarat East	
NEXT WEEKEND MASSES			
Saturday April 12 <sup>th</sup> 2025 -Vigil		Sunday April 13 <sup>th</sup> 2025	
6.00 pm	Ballarat East	9.00 am	Bungaree Buninyong
6.30 pm	Springbank	10.30 am	Ballan Ballarat East
ANOINTING MASSES DURING LENT			
Thursday April 10th	10.30am	St Brigid’s Ballan	
Friday April 11 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	St Michael’s Bungaree	
	11 am	St Alipius Ballarat East	
Wednesday April 16th	11 am	Mercy Place Ballarat East	
Thursday April 17th	10 am	Ballan Mecwacare Aged Care	
HOLY WEEK ACROSS THE MINISTRY DISTRICT			
Monday April 14 <sup>th</sup>	1 pm	Mass of the Oils at St Patrick’s Cathedral, Ballarat	
Holy Thursday April 17 <sup>th</sup>	6.30 pm	Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper, Bungaree	
	7 pm	Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper, Ballarat East	
Good Friday, April 18 <sup>th</sup>	8.30 am	Buninyong Churches Way of the Cross	
	10.00 am	Ballan Stations of the Cross	
	3 pm	Celebrations of the Lord’s Passion, Ballarat East	
	3 pm	Celebrations of the Lord’s Passion, Springbank	
Holy Saturday April 19th	6.30 pm	Easter Vigil Fire and Mass, Dunnstown	
	7 pm	Easter Vigil Fire and Mass, Ballarat East	
Easter Sunday April 20th	9 am	Gordon	
	9 am	Ballarat East	
	10.30 am	Ballan	
	10.30 am	Buninyong	

## WE ASK YOUR PRAYERS FOR:

### THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME

Isabel Britt, Roy Britt, Mathew Cahir, Marie Dromey, Maurice Frawley, Nora Frawley, Marie Leahy, Fr Thomas Linane, Isabella Moran, Ellen Murphy, Laurie O'Neil, Allen Payne, Eileen Sedunary, Greg Slater, Peter Torpy, Martin Wheelahan.

### THOSE WHO ARE UNWELL

Pat Burvill, Elaine Conlan, Joan Egan, Evelyn Farrugia, Patricia Gannon, Lyla Geary, (baby) Mia Hanrahan, Michelle Hall, John Healy, Thelma Keating, Sarah McLachlan, Carole Simmons, Owen Widdison.

## MASS OF THE OILS 2025

All are welcome to attend the Mass of the Oils this year on Monday, April 14, 2025 at Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at 1.00pm. Afternoon tea will follow in the Hall. The Mass will also be livestreamed at

<https://youtube.com/live/qUVA7OFoZ9c?feature=share>

The Parishes of our Ministry District are each invited to nominate two delegates who will receive the Oils from the Mass of the Oils to return them to their respective parish. Two delegates from the parishes of Ballarat East parish, Bungaree parish, and the Gordon parish are invited to contact their respective parish office in this coming week.

## FR MATT'S FAREWELL - APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup>

The Ministry District is farewelling Fr Matt on Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at the Wallace Hotel from 12 noon onwards. To assist us in booking reservations, please indicate your interest with Martin McGettigan (Ballarat East), Damian Ryan (Bungaree) or Mark Conlan (Gordon), or contact the Parish Office – 0492 903 409.

## BAPTISMS

We pray for **Alexander Silvio Thornton**, child of Jeremy and Shae, and **Summer Nai Trezise**, child of Adam and Kerry, baptised this Sunday at St Brigid's Ballan.

## CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

CTC invites you to "Engaging Your Faith" online presentations from \$25.00 per session. For info and to register go to <https://ctc.edu.au/news-and-events/engaging-your-faith/>

### This Week's Scripture Readings -5/6 April 2025

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

Isa 43: 16-21, Phil 3: 8-14; **Jn 8: 1-11**

#### Readers & Offertory

*Dunnstown:* Liz Hanrahan

*Gordon:* To be Advised

*Ballan:* Lesley Morffew, Mark & Sue Conlan

## PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAMS

**Ballarat East Parish:** Rose Consignado, Judith Glaubitz, Martin McGettigan, Dianne McKeegan, Claire Stewart.

**Bungaree Parish:** Damian Ryan & Chris Frawley, Barry Sheehan & Dianne Reynolds, Dom Prendergast, Maurice Mahar & Marty Forbes.

**Gordon Parish:** Sue Daly & Brendan Maher, Joan Bourke & Shane Carey, Mark Conlan & Jim Leahy.

## LITURGICAL MUSIC SYMPOSIUM WITH TONY ALONSO

From across the eight faith communities of the three parishes of our ministry district, the musicians, and those whose prepare and select the music at our Sunday liturgies are invited to a day with Tony Alonso, Tuesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at St Patrick's Cathedral Hall, 3 Lyons Street Sth, Ballarat. The day is hosted by the Ballarat Diocesan Liturgical Commission, and up to five people from each of our three parishes are invited to attend thanks to the sponsorship available. **Tony Alonso** works at the intersection of theology and culture, with a particular focus on worship and ritual practices. This is an opportunity for 15 people who are engaged in music ministry in our parishes to participate in this wonderful formation opportunity. Contact Fr Justin or the Parish Office to register your expression of interest. [More information here](#)

## THANK YOU

We thank Bishop Paul, Frs Matt and Justin in joining with us to celebrate the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St Michael's Church Springbank last Saturday night. We also thank Srs Carmel Crameri RSJ and Cornelia (Nellie) Versluys, RSJ (Sisters of Saint Joseph) and Srs Pam Barlow, RSM, Gerardine Cooney, RSM and Kathleen Moran, RSM (ISMAPNG). Special thanks to Sharon Daly, Donna Simpson, Brendan Maher, Dan Toohey, Gerard Simpson, Sue Daly, Majella Muller, and the wonderful Mary Simpson for coordinating the catering of the scrumptious supper.

### Next Week's Scripture Readings -12/13 April 2025

#### 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

Isa 50:4-7, Phil 2:6-11; **Lk 23:1-49**

#### Readers & Offertory

*Springbank:* To be Advised

*Bungaree:* To be Advised

*Ballan:* Jayme Naeff; Jim Leahy & Julie Dargan