

# 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A): 14/15 October 2023

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

## THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF GORDON

St. Brigid's, Ballan ~ St. Patrick's, Gordon ~ St. Michael's, Springbank  
 Parish Priest: Fr. Justin Driscoll - ☎ 5368 9280; Out-of-hours: 0448 220 685  
 Leadership Team: Sue Daly & Brendan Maher (Springbank), Joan Bourke & Shane Carey (Gordon), Nola Kersley & Mark Conlan (Ballan)

Ex-Officio members: Paul McDowell & Jayne Bosworth. Safeguarding Officer: Aileen Toohey  
 Parish Secretary/ Parish Office (Wed/Thurs 9.30am-2.30pm): ☎ 5368 9280 or 0492 903 409  
 ✉ gordon@ballarat.catholic.org.au ~ 🌐 www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (follow parish links)

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

Parish Schools	<b>St. Brigid's Primary School</b>	Principal: Ms Jayne Bosworth: ☎ 5368 1015	<a href="http://www.sballan.catholic.edu.au">www.sballan.catholic.edu.au</a>
	<b>St. Patrick's Primary School</b>	Principal: Mr Paul McDowell ☎ 5368 9495	<a href="http://www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au">www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au</a>

### Collections last week

<b>Presbytery</b>	\$585.55	<b>Parish:</b>	\$400.00
<b>Financial Year to Date: Parish: \$10657.90</b>			

Annual Appeal for our Retired and Sick Priests - \$50

**Thank You:** We are very appreciative of the generosity of all parishioners for their donations.

**Ballan Mid-Week Mass:** 10.30am, Thursday October 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Forthcoming Events:** Cemetery Mass – Sunday, 11 am on **November 19<sup>th</sup>** at the Gordon Cemetery.

### Gordon Sunday Mass time:

Following consultation with the Gordon Mass community, the time of Sunday Mass will be **9.00 am** commencing Sunday October 15<sup>th</sup> and will continue each 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month.

### Vigil Mass time at St Brigid's Ballan:

Following the consultation with the Ballan community the monthly Saturday evening Vigil Mass held for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month will continue at **6.00 pm** with the commencement of daylight saving.

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

## ST. MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC PARISH ~ BUNGAREE

St Peter's, Clarkes Hill ~ St Brendan's, Dunnstown ~ St Michael's, Bungaree  
 Parish Administrator: Fr Sajan Mathew ~ ☎ 5334 0450 ~ C/- Post Office, Bungaree Vic 3352  
 Leadership Team: Damien Ryan & Chris Frawley (Bungaree) Barry Sheehan & Dianne Reynolds (Dunnstown) Dom Prendergast & Marty Forbes (Clarkes Hill). Ex-Officio Member: Inez French.  
 Parish Secretary/ Parish Office (Tuesday 9.30am-2.30pm): ☎ 5334 0450 or 0492 903 409  
 ✉ bungaree@ballarat.catholic.org.au ~ 🌐 www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (follow parish links)

Parish Schools	<b>St. Mary's School, Clarkes Hill</b>	Principal: Inez French ☎ 5334 5280	<a href="http://www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au">www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au</a>
	<b>St. Brendan's School, Dunnstown</b>	Principal: Inez French ☎ 5334 7604	<a href="http://www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au">www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au</a>

### Collections last fortnight:

<b>Presbytery:</b>	\$720.00	<b>Parish:</b>	\$ 1710.00
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Annual Appeal for our Retired and Sick Priests - \$50

**Thank You:** We are very grateful to all our parishioners and visitors for their contributions to these collections.

### Interested in Becoming a Liturgy Reader?

The Parish is updating the liturgy rosters for the next three months. If you attend St Michael's Bungaree and/or St Brendan's Dunnstown, and are interested in becoming more actively involved in weekend masses, please register your interest by completing the Ministry Roster Form placed at the back of the churches.

Alternatively, speak to Fr Sajan or contact the Parish Office. Contact details: tel: 5334 0450, 0492 903 409 or email [bungaree@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:bungaree@ballarat.catholic.org.au)/ Thank you.

**Cemetery Mass** – Sunday, 9.30 am on **November 12<sup>th</sup>** at the Pootilla Cemetery.

**Celebrating the End of an Era – Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> November** at St Brendan's School, Dunnstown from 2 pm onwards. Fun activities and games, afternoon tea followed by official proceedings. The carvery dinner (\$10 adults, \$5 children) commences at 6 pm, RSVP by Nov 11<sup>th</sup>.

	READER/INTERCESSION	OFFERTORY	WEEKDAY MASSES
<b>14/15 October 2023</b>	<b>28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 25: 6-10, Phil 4:12-14, 19-20</b>		
Dunnstown – 6.30 pm	Liz Hanrahan		Tuesday – 9.30 am Bungaree
Gordon – 9 am* (new time)	To be Advised		Wednesday – 9.30 am Bungaree
Ballan – 10.30 am	Lloyd Lamb	Rosemary and Michael Canavan	Thursday – 9.30 am Bungaree
<b>21/22 October 2023</b>	<b>29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Isa 45: 1, 4-6; 1 Thess 1: 1-5</b>		
Ballan – 6 pm	Tania Hoffman	Jim Leahy & Julie Dargan	Friday – 9.30am Bungaree
Clarkes Hill – 6.30 pm	Helen Mahar	Joan Powell	Saturday – 9.30am Bungaree
Gordon – 9 am* (new time)	To be Advised		
<b>28/29 October 2023</b>	<b>30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Ex 22: 20-26, 1 Thess 1: 5-10</b>		
Springbank – 6.30 pm	To be Advised		Friday- Benediction after 9.30 am mass
Bungaree – 8.45 am	To be Advised		Sat -Reconciliation after 9.30am mass
Ballan – 10.30 am	Mark Conlan	Ciaran, Janine & Connor Donohue	Holy Hour – 1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month

## 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
Sat 6pm*, 6.30pm	Dunnstown	Springbank	Dunnstown	Ballan* Clarkes Hill	Springbank
Sun 8.45am, 9am *	Gordon*	Bungaree	Gordon*	Gordon*	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan		Ballan
Vigil Mass ~ Korobeit Sat 5 pm ~ Creswick 6.30pm - 1st Sunday ~ Daylesford 6.30pm –3rd Sunday Sunday Masses ~ Creswick 9am – 2nd, 3rd & 4th Sunday; Daylesford 10.30 am – 1st, 2nd & 4th Sunday					



**Recent Deaths:** Gerald Duca (St Albans), Kevin Tolhurst (Creswick)

**Anniversaries:** Christine Dent, Fred Tudor, Kevin Mahoney, John Azzopardi, Jim Wickson, Thomas McKenzie, Kit O’Kane, Bill Fay, Michael Conlan, Joan Therese (Mullane) Pedretti, Margaret Calleja, Bernadette Moran, Catherine Moran, Lucinda Moran, Fr Michael Mulcany, Arthur Murphy, Bill Flynn, Shelia Boak, Ruth Torpy.

**We offer our prayers for the sick:** Christine Hall, Mary Cassar, Michelle Hall, Louise Smith, George Roberts, Thelma Keating, Noel Craven, Alice Gardiner, Chaiel Balcombe Jackson, John Healy, Elaine Conlan, Belinda Riley.

**Pope’s intention for October – For the Synod:** *We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit toward the peripheries of the world. Lord, hear us.*

**Baptisms:** We pray for Maeve Lenaghan, daughter of Dermot and Janelle, Zoey Kersley, daughter of Michael and Brooke, and Aston Kersley, son of David and Elizabeth, who will be baptized this Sunday at St Patrick’s Church, Gordon. We welcome them into our faith community. *Lord God, strengthen your spirit in them, so that they may walk in the newness of life.*

### **Sunday Lay led Assemblies of the Word and Holy Communion:**

Bishop Paul and the Diocesan Liturgical Commission invite parishioners of the communities of Ballan, Bungaree, Clarkes Hill, Dunnstown, Gordon and Springbank to a workshop after 10.30am Mass at Ballan on Sunday November 5<sup>th</sup>. Lay led Assemblies of the Word and Holy Communion are celebrated when a priest is not available to celebrate the Eucharist with the community. They may be celebrated occasionally or scheduled regularly to enable the local faith community to continue to gather on Sundays.

Leadership of the Sunday Assembly of Word and Holy Communion is shared amongst several designated and commissioned leaders, together with the Readers, minister of the Eucharist and music ministries who are rostered as usual. Resources for the liturgy are provided by the Diocese.

The workshop is open to all to come and learn about Sunday Assemblies so that each community can be ready to celebrate them should the need arise. The day will commence with 10.30am Mass celebrated by Bishop Paul and continue through the afternoon with a series of different workshops, concluding at 4.30pm. Lunch will be provided. Please register on the sign-up sheets in the church gathering areas or contact Aileen in the Office, email or phone.

### **Pastoral Planning in the Diocese of Ballarat:**

The Gordon Parish Leadership Team met during the week for their regular meeting. Financial reports for the July-September quarter were received and the updates on the minor works around the Ballan Church and Gordon Church noted.

Dates were confirmed for the Gordon Cemetery Mass, Sunday November 19<sup>th</sup> at 11.00am with 9.00am Mass to be celebrated at Ballan for that morning only.

With the retirement of Fr Eugene McKinnon (Redan, Sebastopol, Linton Parishes) at Easter 2024, and the transfer of Fr Jorge de Chavez OSJ (Ballarat East), at the end of 2023, the Pastoral Planning Panel is reviewing the distribution of priests across the parishes of the Greater Ballarat region (including Bungaree, Creswick, Daylesford and Gordon) and the groupings of parishes that priests serve. The Pastoral Planning Panel will meet with each Parish Leadership team of the region to discuss the Looking Forward Pastoral Planning process in the Diocese and its implementation in our area. Importantly, no decisions about the future of any parish have been decided, nor has there been any decision to close any church. The Panel will meet with the Leadership Team in November.

**World Mission Day Appeal is next Sunday, October 22:** Catholic Mission has launched their 2023 Appeal, highlighting the Work of Salesian Sisters in Timor-Leste. Appeal envelopes can be picked up from the churches.