

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent (Year B): ~ 27/ 28 February 2021

### THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF GORDON

St. Brigid's, Ballan ~ St. Patrick's, Gordon ~ St. Michael's, Springbank

The Gordon Parish is a supervised, community-led parish ~ Parish Leadership Team: Sue Daly, Lin Bowers, Joan Bourke, Shane Carey, Aileen Toohey, Marie Shanahan, Brendan Maher, Dan Toohey, Gabrielle Driscoll and Paul McDowell

Supervising Priest: Fr Ed Moloney      Visiting Priest: Fr Sajan Mathew

Parish Secretary/ Parish Office (Tuesdays 9.30am-2.30pm): ☎ 5368 9280 or 0492 903 409

✉ gordon@ballarat.catholic.org.au ~ 🌐 www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (follow parish links)

Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals and Maintenance: contact Parish Secretary ~ Safeguarding Officer: Lin Bowers

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

<b>Parish Schools</b>	<b>St. Brigid's Primary School</b> Principal: Ms Gabrielle Driscoll      ☎ 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>
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#### Collections last weekend

Thanks to all who give generously to each of these collections:

<b>Loose</b>	Presbytery: \$424	Parish: \$176
<b>Planned Giving</b>	Envelopes 2020/21: \$24,961 to date	

#### Gordon Sacramental Program 2021

**Sunday, Feb 28** – Enrolment Mass – Reconciliation  
Gordon – 8.45am / Ballan – 10.30am

**Thursday, March 25** – Reconciliation Ceremony – 4pm - St Patrick's Church, Gordon

**St Patrick's Day Celebrations:** Students from Gordon & Ballan schools will gather together at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat on Thursday, March 18 for 11am mass with Bishop Paul Bird. Parishioners are welcome to attend.

### 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

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<b>Parish Schools</b>	<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>
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#### Collections last weekend:

<b>Presbytery:</b>	\$281	<b>Parish:</b>	\$390
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#### Victorian Child Safe Standards

Our parish's Child Safety Policy and Child Safety Code of Conduct are available on the parish webpage of the diocesan website: [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au) (follow parish links.)  
Parish Safeguarding Officer: Leah Hanrahan.

#### Bungaree Sacramental Program 2021 (Year 2 and above)

**Tuesday, April 27** – Parent Information Night – 7.30pm  
Bungaree Parish Centre - Reconciliation

**Enrolment Masses** – Parish Masses (TBC) - May 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Tuesday, June 8** – Reconciliation Ceremony – 5.30 – 7pm  
St Michaels Church, Bungaree

#### Parish Leadership Team:

There are currently two vacant positions each from Dunnstown and Bungaree on the Parish Leadership Team. If you would be interested in filling any of these roles or would like some more information, please contact Damian Ryan - ryandjr@bigpond.com

**Working With Children Check:** Is your WWC check up to date? Currently, we are reviewing our data base, so it is important that all parishioners who assist with parish ministries hold valid and current WWC cards. Please contact Leah Hanrahan for more details if you are unsure of your status. ([lg3@optusnet.com.au](mailto:lg3@optusnet.com.au) or 0411 859 544)

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	OFFERTORY	
<b>27/ 28 February</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent – Gen 22: 1-2, 9-13, 15-18 Rom 8: 31-34 Mk 9: 2-10</b>		
<b>Clarkes Hill – 6.30pm</b>	Joan Powell	Kate Bennett	
<b>Gordon – 8.45am</b>	Maria Donegan / Eddie Davis	Michael & Therese Winter	
<b>Ballan – 10.30am</b>	Winnie Zammit / Lloyd Lamb	Cairan & Janine Donohue	
<b>6 / 7 March</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent – Ex 20:1-17 1 Col 1:22-25 Jn 2: 13-25</b>		
<b>Dunnstown – 6.30pm</b>	Mary Hanrahan	Declan Hanrahan	
<b>Gordon – 8.45am</b>	Kate Carey / Marie Durham	Mark & Narelle Conroy Family	
<b>Ballan – 10.30am</b>	Bert Jarvis / Lin Bowers	Eddie & Mary Cassar	
<b>13 / 14 March</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent – 2 Ch 36: 14-16 19-23 Ep 2: 4-10 Jn 3: 14-21</b>		
<b>Springbank– 6.30pm</b>	Kath O'Neil	Molly Ronan	
<b>Bungaree – 8.45am</b>	D. Rix	Frank Hanrahan	
<b>Ballan – 10.30am</b>	Catherine Green / Sandra Miller	Binks Family	

## LITURGIES /WEEKDAY MASSES

Fr Sajan celebrates mass each weekday morning (except Mondays) in Bungaree at 9.30am – all welcome!

	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 6.30pm	Dunnstown	Springbank	Dunnstown	Clarke's Hill	Springbank
Sun 8.45am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan
Korobeit Sat 6.30pm ~ Creswick 8.45am ~ Daylesford 10.30am					

**Recent Death:** Monica Murphy

**Anniversaries** Arthur Jones, Louise Tubbs, Joan Arnel, Maria Steenhuis, Liam Begbie, Harry Parkin, Kathleen Leonard, Jack O'Donohue, Maureen O'Halloran, Cecelia Haintz, Ellie Walsh, Diane Johnson, Tom O'Loughlin, Brian Boyle, Kevin McGuigan, Con McTigue, Lil Wickson, Con Carey, Willian Rosenow.

**We offer our prayerful support for the sick** Anna Bartaska, Mitchell Prendergast, Michelle Hall, Mary Cassar, Moira Myers, Louise Smith, George Roberts, Alice Gardiner, Stan Mahar, Lore Winter, Noel Craven, Christine Hall, John Ryan, Thelma Keating, Lyla Geary and Anne Micallef.

**Music Ministry Volunteers for Bungaree:** We are seeking volunteers to join the music ministry roster at Bungaree. You will only be rostered on a few times a year. If you are able to assist, please contact Julie Boyd - [boydh.1@bigpond.com.au](mailto:boydh.1@bigpond.com.au)



### **Novel coronavirus (COVID-19)**

The latest updates regarding COVIDSafe practices are available from the diocesan website "news" section [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au)

### **Project Compassion Virtual Immersions – Week 2**

Each week during this Lenten season, Caritas Australia is holding Virtual Immersion opportunities for parishes via Zoom video conferencing. These digital engagements will allow participants to focus on prayer and reflection, Catholic Social Teaching and an interview and Q&A with Caritas International Program staff. **Week 2: Margaret's Story (Solomon Islands)** on Tuesday, March 2 at 7.30pm (VIC). You can register for a Virtual Immersion by going to <https://lent.caritas.org.au/virtualimmersions>.

### **Lenten Resources - Week 2:**

The Sandhurst Diocese kindly shares their Lent 2021 leaflets which invite reflection on excerpts from Pope Francis' "Let us Dream", together with insights and suggestions for action from one of the Australian Plenary Council Thematic Discernment papers. The leaflets are for individual reflection or small group reflection and discussion. The theme for week 2 is, "How do we find the way of mercy and love that can usher forth a revolution of tenderness?" These leaflets are available for download from the diocesan website Liturgy Resources page <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/services-agencies-2/pastoral/liturgy-sacraments/liturgy-resources/>

### **Lent Resources**

Lent resources are available from the diocesan website Liturgy Resources page <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/services-agencies-2/pastoral/liturgy-sacraments/liturgy-resources/>

**Year of St Joseph - Monthly Reflections:** Each month during the year of St Joseph, the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference will publish a reflection on the various aspects of St Joseph's life and character. The February reflection, written by Scripture scholar Sr Michele Connolly RSJ, explores the many ways in which St Joseph was "Attentive to the Word of God" <https://catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph>

### **World Day of Prayer – Friday, March 5**

St Brigid's Church, Ballan – 10am / St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat 10am  
St James Sebastopol 2pm

Ballarat South Uniting Church 7pm Buninyong  
St John's Anglican church, Creswick 7pm

Mass of the Oils: Monday, March 29 St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat 6.30pm.

### **2021 National Mass Count of Attendance**

The National Centre for Pastoral Research advise that the 2021 National Count of Attendance (Mass Count) will take place over the first four weekends in May (starting May 1, 2021). More details later.



*Loving God, as we begin our Lenten journey we pray that the mists that can cloud our vision may lift so that we may see the road that lies before us and so come with open hearts to you the source of living water. Melt what is frozen within us, warm our hearts and lift our spirits that we do not lose heart in our capacity to grow or in your desire to lead us safely home. Amen*