

# 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A): 16/17 September 2023

Our Parish acknowledges this land's traditional owners and custodians and pay our respects to Elders past, present, and 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  
 Parish Leadership Team: Sue Daly, Joan Bourke, Shane Carey, Brendan Maher, Nola Kersley, Mark Conlan  
 Ex-Officio members: Paul McDowell & Jayne Bosworth. Safeguarding Officer: Aileen Toohey  
 Parish Secretary/ Parish Office (Wednesday/Thursday 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	St. Brigid's Primary School St. Patrick's Primary School	Principal: Ms Jayne Bosworth: Principal: Mr Paul McDowell	☎ 5368 1015 ☎ 5368 9495	<a href="http://www.sballan.catholic.edu.au">www.sballan.catholic.edu.au</a> <a href="http://www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au">www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au</a>
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### Collections last week

Presbytery	\$319.65	Parish:	\$143.00
<b>Financial Year to Date: Parish: \$8880.3</b>			

Annual Appeal for our Retired and Sick Priests - \$370.00

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

### Mid-week Masses:

Wednesday Sept 20<sup>th</sup> 11.00am Hepburn House  
 (Daylesford), COVID test required.  
 Thursday Sept 21<sup>st</sup> 10.30am Ballan  
 Friday Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> 10.30am Creswick

**Sacramental Program 2023 Update:** The Sacramental Program for this year has now been completed. Masses to celebrate the baptism, confirmation and eucharist for those children enrolled in the RCIC who have not yet completed the program, will continue to be held during the latter months of this year.

**Australian Catholics:** Spring 2023 edition is now available. Copies have been placed in all churches.

### Forthcoming Events:

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

## ST. MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC PARISH ~ BUNGAREE

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

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  
 Parish Leadership Team: Damien Ryan, Barry Sheehan, Dianne Reynolds, Dom Prendergast, Marty Forbes, Chris Frawley & 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	St. Mary's School, Clarkes Hill St. Brendan's School, Dunnstown	Principal: Inez French ☎ 5334 5280 Principal: Inez French ☎ 5334 7604	<a href="http://www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au">www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au</a> <a href="http://www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au">www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au</a>
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### Collections last fortnight:

Presbytery:	\$875.00	Parish:	\$755.00
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**Thank You:** We are very grateful to all our parishioners and visitors to our parish 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.

### Forthcoming Events:

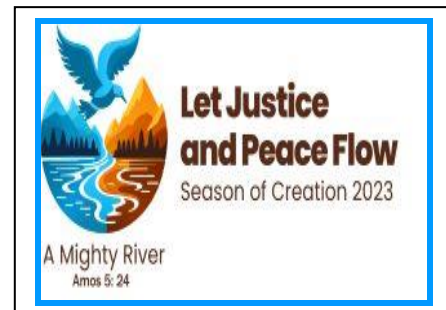
**Cemetery Mass** – Sunday, 9.30 am on **November 12<sup>th</sup>** at the Pootilla Cemetery.

**Celebrating the End of an Era – Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> November** at St Brendan's School, Dunnstown from 2 pm onwards. More details to follow. Save the date!

	READER/INTERCESSION	OFFERTORY	WEEKDAY MASSES
<b>16/17 September 2023</b>	<b>24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>Sir 27: 30-28:7; Rom 14: 7-9</b>	
Dunnstown – 6.30 pm	Trish Ryan		Tuesday – 9.30 am Bungaree
Gordon – 8.45 am	To be Advised		Wednesday – 9.30 am Bungaree
Ballan – 10.30 am	Bert Jarvis	Bridget Sims Family	Thursday – 9.30 am Bungaree
<b>23/24 September 2023</b>	<b>25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>Isa 55: 6-9; Phil 1: 20-24, 27</b>	
Ballan – 6.00 pm	Julie Dargan	Tont & Edith Paarhammer	Friday – 9.30am Bungaree
Clarkes Hill – 6.30 pm	Margie Moran	Helen Mahar	Saturday – 9.30am Bungaree
Gordon – 8.45 am	To be Advised		
<b>30 Sept/1 October 2023</b>	<b>26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>Ezek 18: 25-28; Phil 2: 1-11</b>	
Dunnstown – 6.30 pm	Dorothy Sheehan		Friday- Benediction after 9.30 am mass
Gordon – 8.45 am	To be Advised		Sat -Reconciliation after 9.30am mass
Ballan – 10.30 am	Bert Jarvis	Bridget Sims & Family	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	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:** Eileen McManus (formerly of the Beaufort House of Prayer), Mario Perovich (Ballarat North)

**Anniversaries:** Emily Green, James Cummins, Jack Nunn, George Azzotardi, Jimmy Winter, William Black, Michael Williams, Wayne Torpy, Genoveffa Micallef, Carmen Gatt, Fred Bendeich, Primo Bettolatti, Eileen Davis, Pat Toohey, Jeanette Pearse, Danny Frawley, Corey Fletcher, Eileen McDermott, Bill O'Donohue, Kathleen Sheehan, John (Jack) Frawley and Winifred Walsh.

**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.

**Baptisms and RCIC:** We welcome Scarlett Elaine Jerram, daughter of Jake and Bethany, who will be baptised this Sunday at St Patrick's Church, Gordon. We also welcome Ari and Remi Jeandet, children of Kirsten and Antonin, who are completing the Rite of Christian Initiation for Children (sacraments of baptism, confirmation and eucharist) this Sunday at St Brigid's Church, Ballan. We welcome them into our faith community.

**Season of Creation: September 1 - October 4, 2023:** Every year from September 1 - October 4, Catholic Earthcare Australia (Caritas and the Australian Bishops Conference) joins with Christian communities globally to celebrate the Season of Creation, to celebrate the gift of our common home. The theme for 2023 is "Let Justice and Peace Flow" drawing on the river imagery of in Amos 5:24. It challenges us to act for ecological justice, creating change and speaking out with communities most impacted by rising sea levels, biodiversity loss and other consequences of climate change. <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/services-agencies-2/welfare/catholic-earthcare-ballarat-diocese/season-of-creation-2023/>



### **Please join us for a Kitchen Table Conversation- September 28**

A Kitchen Table Conversation is a wonderful opportunity to join with others and listen, learn and reflect on the Indigenous Voice to Parliament referendum that will be held in the coming months. The final session will be held on September 28 from 3.30pm - 4.45pm online via zoom. More information and registration details are available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/services-agencies-2/pastoral/aboriginal-catholic-ministry/>

### **Synod on Synodality Ecumenical Prayer Vigil**

Catholic communities around the world have been invited to host an ecumenical prayer vigil on the weekend of September 30 – October 1 in solidarity with a major international gathering in Rome ahead of the first session of the Synod on Synodality. Fifteen people from Australia will be participating in the Synod and they have asked for the Catholic community's prayers as they prepare for their important task. A prayer vigil would be a great way to respond to their request and to gather with Christian sisters and brothers in our shared faith. Register your vigil at <https://together2023.net/>. Prayer service suggestions available at <https://together2023.net/info-page/prayers-elsewhere-in-the-world-suggested-service-order/>

### **In the footsteps of Mary MacKillop Pilgrimage: October 17-28, 2023**



This Pilgrimage will take you on a journey to places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry. The pilgrimage, operated by the Sisters of Saint Joseph and Mary MacKillop Place, is led by Sr Anne Bond rsj, a Sister of Saint Joseph and Mr Garry McLean, the inaugural Director of the Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre. The pilgrimage will begin in East Melbourne on October 17 and conclude in North Sydney on October 28. Pilgrims will visit historic sites and towns including Portland, Penola, Robe and the Mary MacKillop Chapel in North Sydney. For more information and to register scan or click on the QR code.

### **Catholic Mission Immersion to Timor-Leste - November 4-12, 2023**

Catholic Mission invites adults to participate in this engaging immersion where you will learn more about the grassroots projects supported by Catholic Mission in Timor-Leste from November 4-12, 2023. The immersion provides a special opportunity to return with newfound friends, a broader vision of God's Family, and a revitalised understanding of Jesus' Mission. Be prepared to be changed and challenged. For more information and to register scan or click on the QR code.

