

# Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B): 21/22 Sept 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  
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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

### Collections:

Combined Presbytery Collection (last fortnight): \$1559.25  
Planned Giving contributions will be printed monthly.

### Masses this Coming Week

Fr Justin will be accompanying a cohort of DOBCEL principals on a spiritual heritage pilgrimage to Ireland during the next few weeks. During the weeks that Fr Justin is away, thanks to Frs Gary Jones, Kevin Maloney and Eric Bryant who will support Fr Matt with weekend Masses. When a priest is needed for sick calls, pastoral care of a funeral, contact Fr Matt via the Parish Office or St Alipius' Ballarat East 5332 6611.

There will be no mass this Thursday at Ballan. A prayer service will be held in lieu of the mass. There will be no mass at Bungaree this Friday. Please consult this week's Ballarat East Parish Bulletin for masses this coming week.

### Ballarat Diocesan Assembly on Leadership & Governance for a Synodal Church - Update

Both the Bungaree and Gordon Parish Leadership Teams have endorsed members who have earlier participated in Assembly Formation gatherings, to attend the forthcoming

Diocesan Assembly at Federation University Mt Helen on Friday evening November 15<sup>th</sup> and Saturday November 16<sup>th</sup>. Representatives: Dianne Reynolds and Damian Ryan - Bungaree Parish, Mark Conlan and Sue Daly - Gordon Parish. Thank you to each of the delegates for their willingness to participate in the Assembly.

### Parish of Bungaree- Annual General Meeting

The Bungaree Leadership Team invite all parishioners to the Parish Annual General Meeting to be held after the 6.30pm Vigil Mass at Dunnstown on Saturday October 19<sup>th</sup>.

### Save the Date:

The Gordon Leadership Team have confirmed the following dates:

- Gordon Cemetery Mass 11.00am Sunday Nov 17<sup>th</sup>
- Combined Parishes Pre Christmas event Sunday evening December 1<sup>st</sup> @ Donegans
- St Michael's Church Springbank 125<sup>th</sup> Vigil Mass Saturday March 29<sup>th</sup> 2025
- St Patrick's Church Gordon 150<sup>th</sup> 10.30am Mass Sunday May 18<sup>th</sup> 2025.

MASS DATES & TIMES	READER/INTERCESSION	OFFERTORY
<b>21/22 September 2024</b>	<b>25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time: Wis 2:12, 17-20, James 3:16-4:3</b>	
Clarkes Hill – 6.30 pm	Julie Moran	Julie Moran
Gordon – 9 am	To be Advised	
Ballan – 10.30 am	Marie Shanahan	Bridget Sims and Family
<b>28/29 September 2024</b>	<b>26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time: Num 11:25-29, James 5:1-6</b>	
Springbank – 6.30 pm	To be Advised	
Bungaree – 9 am (new time)	To be Advised	
Ballan – 10.30 am	Michael Ryan	Tony & Edith Paarhammer
<b>5/6 October 2024</b>	<b>27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time: Gen 2:18-24, Heb 2:9-11</b>	
Dunnstown – 6.30 pm	Trish Ryan	
Gordon – 9 am	To be Advised	
Ballan – 10.30 am	Bert Jarvis	Jim Leahy & Julie Dargan

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 Masses ~ <b>Ballarat East 9am</b> ; Buninyong 10.30 am (1st & 3rd & 5th Sunday) Vigil Mass ~ Ballarat East 6pm; Sunday Masses ~ <b>Buninyong 9am</b> ; Ballarat East 10.30 am (2nd & 4th Sunday) Note: Korobeit Mass times have changed to the 2nd and 3rd Saturdays of the month only at 5pm.					

**Recent Deaths:** Stephen Davies (Melbourne), Patrick Roache (father of former Diocesan Priest Peter Roache, Colac).

**Death Anniversaries:** Hilda Blakemore, Gerard Williams, Steven Molloy, Phillip Camelleri, Josephine Catania, Muriel Snaith, Pat Toohey, Vera Winter, Kevin O'Brien, Margaret Mahar, Catherine Graham, Noreen Torney RSM, Bill Moroney, Mark Leonard, Kevin Jeffrey, Jean Leonard, Mary 'Mollie' Sullivan.

**We offer our prayers for the sick:** Christine Hall, Mary Cassar, Michelle Hall, Louise Smith, George Roberts, Thelma Keating, Noel Craven, Alice Gardiner, John Healy, Elaine Conlan, Karem Chiparra, Evelyn Farrugia, Pat Burvill, Patricia (Patty) Gannon, Ray Broach, Owen Widdison, (baby) Mia Hanrahan and Vikki Boka.

**Praying with Pope Francis For the cry of the earth:**

*Let us pray that each of us listen with our hearts to the cry of the Earth and of the victims of environmental disasters and the climate crisis, making a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit. Lord, hear us.*

**Saints College" Flexible Learning Centre – 6 September 2024**

Members of the Bungaree Leadership Team recently attended the blessing and opening of "Saints College" Flexible Learning Centre in Humffray St, Bakery Hill, Ballarat. The Parish looks forward to the signing of the lease for the former St Michael's School Bungaree (closed in 1994). It will open as a campus of "Saints College" in 2025.



**Annual Appeal for Retired Priests**



This year the Ballarat Clergy Support Fund was held on the 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> September. If you wish to donate to this appeal, special envelopes are still available in church foyers. Please return your envelope by the end of this month (via the regular collection). A credit card facility is available for your convenience, and contributions over \$2.00 are tax-deductible.

**2024 Season of Creation Prayer**

*Triune God, Creator of all, we praise you for your goodness, visible in all the diversity that you have created, making us a cosmic family living in a common home.*

*Through the Earth you created, we experience love and nourishment, home and protection.*

*We confess that we do not relate to the Earth as a Mothering gift from you, our Creator.*

*Our selfishness, greed, neglect, and abuse have caused the climate crisis, loss of biodiversity, human suffering as well as the suffering of all our fellow creatures.*

*We confess that we have failed to listen to the groans of the Earth, the groans of all creatures, and the groans of the Spirit of hope and justice that lives within us.*

*May your Creator Spirit help us in our weakness,*

*so that we may know the redeeming power of Christ and the hope found in him.*

*May the groans of the Spirit birth in us a willingness to serve you faithfully,*

*so that we may hear and heal Creation, to hope and act together with her, so that the first fruits of hope may blossom.*

*Loving and Creator God, we pray that you will make us sensitive to these groans and enable us to have the same compassion as that of Jesus, the redeeming Lord.*

*Grant us a fresh vision of our relationship with Earth, and with one another, as creatures that are made in your image.*

*In the name of the one who came to proclaim the good news to all Creation, Jesus Christ. Amen.*



**TO HOPE AND ACT WITH CREATION**  
SEASON OF CREATION 2024



**Take the First Steps ...**

On any given day there are about 1,600 children and young people in foster-care placements in Victoria and about 470 children in residential care. The number of children in out-of-home care in Victoria is increasing while the number of foster carers is decreasing (AIHW, 2023). For nearly 160 years, Child and Family Services (CAFS) has been supporting programs designed to meet the needs of, and promote the wellbeing of children, young people and their families across the Victorian Central Highlands. CAFS need more carers to support children in need. Visit [cafs.org.au](http://cafs.org.au) or call 1800 692 237.