

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A): 28/29 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

St. Brigid's Primary School
St. Patrick's Primary School

Principal: Ms Jayne Bosworth
 Principal: Mr Paul McDowell

☎ 5368 1015
 ☎ 5368 9495

www.sballan.catholic.edu.au
www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au

Collections last week

Presbytery	\$341.85	Parish:	\$186.00
Financial Year to Date: Parish: \$11345.90			

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

All Souls Day Masses this Thursday November 2nd

10.30am Mass in Ballan followed by morning tea then to the Ballan Cemetery for a blessing of graves.

5.30pm Mass in St Francis Xavier Chapel at the Eganstown Cemetery.

Gordon Parish Sacramental Team

A review of the sacramental preparation and celebrations was undertaken during the week. Bookings for next year's Sacramental Program will be opening soon.

Forthcoming Events:

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

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
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Parish Schools

St. Mary's School, Clarkes Hill
St. Brendan's School, Dunnstown

Principal: Inez French ☎ 5334 5280
 Principal: Inez French ☎ 5334 7604

www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au
www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au

Collections last fortnight:

Presbytery:	\$930.00	Parish:	\$600.00
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Thank You: We thank all visitors and parishioners who generously donate to these collections.

The 'Book of the Names of the Dead': If you wish to include the names of parishioners who have recently died, Fr Sajan will be bringing the 'Book of the Names of the Dead' to all Saturday/Sunday masses held during November, including the cemetery mass as Pootilla. If you wish to update the death anniversaries listed in the Combined Newsletter, please email the Parish Secretary at: bungaree@ballarat.catholic.org.au/

Cemetery Mass will be held on Sunday, 9.30 am, **November 12th** at the Pootilla Cemetery. All Welcome.

Celebrating the End of an Era – Saturday, 25th 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 directly to St Brendan's on 5334 7604 before by Nov 11th.

More information is available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/pnews/celebrating-the-end-of-an-era-at-st-brendans-primary-school-dunnstown/> Flyers - **Celebrating the End of an Era** - have been placed in all churches.

	READER/INTERCESSION	OFFERTORY	WEEKDAY MASSES
28/29 October 2023	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Ex 22: 20-26, 1 Thess 1: 5-10		
Springbank – 6.30 pm	To be Advised		Tuesday – 9.30 am Bungaree
Bungaree – 8.45 am	To be Advised		Wednesday – 9.30 am Bungaree
Ballan – 10.30 am	Mark Conlan	Ciaran, Janine & Connor Donohue	Thursday – 9.30 am Bungaree
4/5 November 2023	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Mal 1: 14-2: 2, 8-10; 1 Thess 2: 7-9, 13		
Dunnstown – 6.30 pm	Dianne Reynolds		Friday – 9.30am Bungaree
Gordon – 9 am* (new time)	To be Advised		Saturday – 9.30am Bungaree
Ballan – 10.30 am	Jayne Bosworth	Lorraine DeSpirt & Vikki Boka	
11/12 November 2023	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Wis 6: 12-16; 1 Thess 4: 13-18		
Springbank – 6.30 pm	To be Advised		Friday- Benediction after 9.30 am mass
Pootilla Cemetery – 9.30 am	To be Advised		Sat -Reconciliation after 9.30am mass
Ballan – 10.30 am	Margaret Green	Eddie and Mary Cassar	Holy Hour – 1 st Thursday of every month

LITURGIES /WEEKLY MASSES

	1 st Sunday	2 nd Sunday	3 rd Sunday	4 th Sunday	5 th 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: Maureen Orr (Bacchus Marsh)

Anniversaries: Anne Rutledge, Reg Mullane, Desmond Kane, Philip Calilleri, Kathleen Kennedy, Bronislaw Blazek, Martin Seiger, Bill Hall, Monica Burke, Brian Britt, Leo Leonard, Eileen Ryan, Patrick Elliot, Alma Holloway and Leo Crough.

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.

Baptisms: We pray for Flynn Thomas Maher, son of Joel and Beth, Oliver John Maher, son of Karl and Lauren and Fletcher James Simpson, son of Justin and Casey who will be baptized during the vigil mass at Michael’s Church, Springbank. We welcome them into our faith community. *Lord God, strengthen your Spirit in them, so that they may walk in the newness of life.*

Laudate Deum – Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis

Pope Francis released ‘Laudate Deum’, his apostolic exhortation on the climate crisis. Officially titled, ‘Laudate Deum: To all the People of Good Will on the Climate Crisis’, the exhortation is a sequel to his exhortation, ‘Laudato Si’: On Care for Our Common Home [2015]. Laudate Deum and further resources are available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/laudate-deum-apostolic-exhortation-of-pope-francis/>

Liturgy Formation at Ballan – Sunday, November 5, 2023

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 5th. 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. All welcome to attend. The program for the day and registration information is available from the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au. Register by clicking on scanning the QR code or register on the (green) sign-up sheets in the church foyers/gathering space or contact Aileen in the Office, email or phone.

Caritas Australia’s Gaza Crisis Appeal

Over 1 million people have been displaced in Gaza with immediate food, shelter, health and psychosocial needs.



“This is a period of incredible turmoil and sadness. The escalation of violence has only exacerbated needs for the people in Gaza and West Bank, who already live in dire conditions. We are working with our partners on the ground to provide comprehensive and critical support to over 17,000 families affected by this devastating conflict.” Sally Thomas, Humanitarian Lead, Caritas Australia. With your support, there will be aid to help partners on the ground to assist people displaced and affected by the current conflict. Please

donate to Caritas Australia’s Gaza Crisis Appeal - scan or click the QR code.

Remembrance Day and final viewing - Faith at War

The Ballarat Catholic Diocesan Commission archives current exhibition displays priests from the Diocese who served during WWI, WWII, in Vietnam and Afghanistan. Priests that enlisted could serve as Chaplains either in the Australian Army, Australian Royal Air Force or the Australian Royal Navy. Other priests worked at RAAF bases at Ballarat, Hamilton and Nhill where they served men and women working for the AIF. To commemorate Remembrance Day 2023, the “Faith at War” exhibit will remain on display until Monday, November 13, 2023. People can visit the archives by appointment only on Monday to Friday OR view the display online via the website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/services-agencies-2/stewardship/diocesan-historical-commission/faith-at-war-and-the-priests-who-served-from-the-catholic-diocese-of-ballarat/>. To visit the archives please contact the archivist by email archives@ballarat.catholic.org.au

