

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (B): 2/3 November 2024

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.

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

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 (19/20 and 26/27 Oct) \$1453.00

Weekdays Masses

Tuesday 5th (Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday) 9.30am

Ballarat East,

Wednesday 6th 11.00am Mercy Place,

Thursday 7th 10.30am Ballan, and

1.30pm Ballarat East Funeral Mass (Peter Blayney),

Friday 8th 9.30am Ballarat East, and

9.30am Bungaree,

Saturday 9th 9.30am Ballarat East.

November Remembrance Masses



The remembrance of those who have died over this past year will be included in this weekend's Masses at Ballarat East and Buninyong.

Welcome to families and friends.

The *Bungaree Parish* will celebrate Mass at the Pootilla Cemetery on Sunday November 10th at 9.00am.

The *Gordon Parish* will celebrate Mass at the Gordon Cemetery on Sunday November 17th at 11.00am with Mass celebrated at Ballan at 9.00am.

Save the dates!

- Combined Parishes Pre-Christmas event Sunday evening December 1st @ Donegan's Farm
- St Michael's Church Springbank 125th Vigil Mass Saturday March 29th 2025 6.30pm Mass
- St Patrick's Church Gordon 150th 10.30am Mass Sunday May 18th 2025.

Diocesan e-News

The latest edition of e-News has been published and is available to view at

<https://mailchi.mp/1cc27b72fe24/edition-119-february-15-14187629>. You can also view this edition

at <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/news-events/e-news/> or you can subscribe on this page to receive future editions straight to your email address.

MASS DATES & TIMES	READER/INTERCESSION	OFFERTORY
2/3 November 2024	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time: Deut 6: 2-6 Heb 7:23-28	
Dunnstown – 6.30 pm	Liz Hanrahan	
Gordon – 9.00 am	To be Advised	
Ballan – 10.30 am	Winnie Zammit	Mark and Sue Conlan
9/10 November 2024	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: 1 Kings 17:10-16, Heb 9:24-28	
Springbank – 6.30 pm	To be Advised	
Pootilla Cemetery – 9.00 am	To be Advised	
Ballan – 10.30 am	Rosemary Canavan	Eddie and Mary Cassar
16/17 November 2024	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: Dan 12:1-13, Heb 10:11-14, 18	
Dunnstown – 6.30 pm	Dianne Reynolds	
Ballan – 9am* (this week only)	Lloyd Lamb	Bridget Sims and Family
Gordon Cemetery – 11 am	To be Advised	

LITURGIES /WEEKLY MASSES					
	1 st Sunday	2 nd Sunday	3 rd Sunday	4 th Sunday	5 th Sunday
Saturday 6.30pm	Dunnstown	Springbank	Dunnstown	Clarks Hill	Springbank
Sunday 9am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sunday 10.30am	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan
Vigil Mass ~ Ballarat East 6pm; Sunday ~ Ballarat East 9am ; Buninyong 10.30 am (1st & 3rd & 5th Sunday) Vigil Mass ~ Ballarat East 6pm; Sunday ~ Buninyong 9am ; Ballarat East 10.30 am (2nd & 4th Sunday)					

Recent deaths: Peter Blayney and Ann Carey

Anniversaries: Catherine Hayward-Brown, Mary Donegan, Bart Fuller, Richard Keating, Mollie Maher, Jack Molloy, Mons. Henry Nolan, Hughie O'Halloran, John James Ronan, Ronnie Spratling, Noel Torphy, Paul Wheelahan.

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

Praying with Pope Francis: Prayer for November: *For those who have lost a child: Let us pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and may receive peace of heart from the Spirit of Consolation. Lord, hear us.*

Baptisms: We welcome Aleeah Dee Cullen and Gracelyn Billey Cullen, daughters of Jake and Ella, who will be baptised this Sunday at St Brigid's Church, Ballan. We welcome them into our faith community. *Lord God, strengthen your spirit in them, so that they may walk in the newness of life.*

Communion from the Chalice:

Bishop Paul has informed parishes of the option of reintroducing communion from the chalice in parishes in the Diocese of Ballarat. The parishes of our Ministry District (Ballarat East, Bungaree and Gordon) will not take up this option at this stage.

Clergy Appointments: Bishop Paul has announced the appointment of Fr Andrew Hayes as Parish Priest of the Parishes of Apollo Bay and Colac as well as Supervising Priest for the Cororooke Parish, commencing January 15th 2025. Fr Michael O'Toole will be Priest in Residence in Apollo Bay, helping Fr Andrew.

Clergy Jubilarians Mass:

Mass to celebrate the 2024 Clergy Jubilarians will be held on Thursday, November 14th at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at 5.00pm. The 2024 clergy Jubilarians are: 50 years Frs Eric Bryant, Paddy Mugavin & Michael O'Toole, 25 years – Fr Ed Moloney. All are welcome to attend.

Synod on Synodality Concludes with the Final Document



The proposals include expanded women's leadership roles, greater lay participation in decision-making, and significant structural reforms. Among the most significant proposals is a call for strengthening pastoral councils at parish and diocesan levels.

The document advocates for regular ecclesiastical assemblies across all Church levels— including continental — and heightened ecumenical dialogue. It calls for a revision in canon law, “clarifying the distinction and relation between consultation and deliberation and shedding light on the

responsibilities of those who play different roles in the decision-making process.”

In a notable development, the document explicitly states there is “no reason or impediment” to prevent women from assuming leadership roles in the Church. Furthermore, “the question of women's access to diaconal ministry remains open,” and that discernment should continue. The text advocates for increased female participation in clergy formation and broader involvement in Church decision-making processes.

The document significantly expands the role of the laity in Church governance. It calls for their increased presence in synodal assemblies and all phases of ecclesiastical decision-making.

Lives of Honour: Ballarat East and the Great War

St Paul's Anglican Church, Bakery Hill, extends an invitation to the launch of Lives of Honour: Ballarat East and the Great War. The book examines the lives of 177 World War One soldiers who were closely associated with the church, Monday November 11th 2024, 2.30pm Eureka Centre 102 Stawell St. S. Ballarat East. Dr Carolyn Holbrook will be the guest speaker. Entrance is free. Light refreshments and discounted copies will be available after the launch. Please indicate your intention to attend to adoggett1204@gmail.com or calling 0401 007 42.

Ballarat Reform League Charter 170th Anniversary: Join Unions Ballarat Trades Hall and St Pauls to celebrate the foundation of Australia's democratic tradition at the site of the Monster meeting and the formation of the Ballarat Reform League – St Paul's Church, Monday November 11th 6.00pm – 7.00pm.