

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B): ~ 9/10 October 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, Marie Shanahan, Brendan Maher, Dan Toohey, Paul McDowell & Jayne Bosworth



Supervising Priest: Fr Ed Moloney 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

Parish Schools

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

A/Principal: Jayne Bosworth:
Principal: Mr Paul McDowell

☎ 5368 1015
☎ 5368 9495

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

Collections in Church last weekend

Loose	Presbytery: \$	Parish: \$
Planned Giving	Envelopes 2020/21:	\$1264.50

Looking Forward:

The Diocese of Ballarat recently released the draft version of the *Looking Forward: Pastoral Planning for Parishes in the Catholic Diocese of Ballarat 2021-2025* document. The document details the challenges facing parishes, & outlines proposals for restructuring parishes. The proposed changes will directly affect the Parish of Gordon. The Gordon Parish Leadership Team invites all parishioners to carefully read & review the draft *Looking Forward* document. To ensure that all parishioners will have the opportunity to read the document, it has been forwarded to subscribers of the Parish Bulletin & printed as an attachment to the 9/10 October copy of the Combined Newsletter. Because of COVID restrictions, copies of *Looking Forward* have also been placed in the bins/boxes at all churches for pick up. Copies are also available from the Parish Office. It is likely that our Parish will have a shared parish priest arrangement with the Parishes of Daylesford and

Creswick from early in 2022. Further details will be provided on our future arrangements as they are confirmed.

Leadership Team Meeting: COVID restriction permitting, the Gordon and Bungaree Parish Leadership Teams will meet this Wednesday 13th October at 7.30pm at the Gathering Space in Ballan.

COVID - Mass Attendance

Attendance is capped at 20 persons. Bookings will be coordinated via the Parish Office. Please email or ring the Parish Secretary on 0492 903 409 to book attendance at all forthcoming masses. Remember to leave your name, contact phone number & preferred mass time/place. The booking register will close every Friday at 3pm. If you have said you will attend mass & cannot go, please inform the Parish Secretary. On arrival, sign-in with the QR code, sanitize your hands & wear a facemask.

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

Parish Secretary/Parish Office (Thursday 9.30am-2.30pm): ☎ 5368 9280 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

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

Collections last weekend:

Presbytery: \$	Parish: \$
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COVID Due to COVID restrictions, attendance is capped at 20. On arrival, remember to sign-in with the QR code, sanitize your hands and wear a facemask.

Looking Forward: The Looking Forward document has been distributed in the Parish of Bungaree. If you would like a copy,

please contact Damian Ryan on 0437 125 062 or by email at: ryandjr@bigpond.com

Leadership Team Meeting. The Parish Leadership Team will meet with the Gordon Parish this Wednesday, 13th, at 7.30 pm at Ballan (subject to lifting of Covid lock down).

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	OFFERTORY	WEEKDAY MASSES
9/10 October	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Wis 7: 7-11; Heb 4:12-13		
Springbank-6.30pm	Donna Simpson		Tuesday - 9.30am Bungaree
Bungaree-8.45am	Shelley Ryan		Wednesday - 9.30am Bungaree
Ballan-10.30am	Winnie Zammit, Lloyd Lamb		Thursday - 9.30am Bungaree
16/17 October	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Isa 53: 10-11; Heb 4: 14:16		
Dunnstown-6.30pm	Dorothy Sheehan		Friday - 9.30am Bungaree
Gordon-8.45am	Monica Eastwood		Saturday - 9.30am Bungaree
Ballan-10.30am	Bert Jarvis		Holy Hour - 1 st Thursday of each Month
23/24 October	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 31: 7-9; Heb 5: 1-6		
Clarkes Hill-6.30pm	Marty Forbes		Friday- Benediction after 9.30 am mass
Gordon-8.45am	Helen Ryan		Saturday-Reconciliation after 9.30am mass
Ballan-10.30am	Anne Eskdale		

LITURGIES /WEEKDAY MASSES

Fr Sajan celebrates mass each weekday morning (except Mondays) - Bungaree 9.30am All Welcome!

	1 st Sunday	2 nd Sunday	3 rd Sunday	4 th Sunday	5 th Sunday
Sat 6.30pm	Dunnstown	Springbank	Dunnstown	Clarkes 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					

Anniversaries: Eileen Frawley, Frank Quinlan, Allan Smith, Ethan Secculi, Joseph Rice, Maureen O'Donohue, Bernadette Moran, Catherine Moran, Lucinda Moran, Josie Tudor, Mary Wheelahan, Sr. Patsy Ford (S.R.M.), Christine Dent, Fred Tudor & Kevin Mahoney.

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

Catholic Mission Month

Catholic Mission Australia has launched its annual World Mission Month Appeal, focusing on the work of the Good Shepherd Sisters in Thailand supporting children from vulnerable & disadvantaged backgrounds through the Kindergarten Centre. For more information go to <https://www.catholicmission.org.au/catholic-mission-launches-world-mission-month-appeal>

Praying with Pope Francis:

The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (Apostleship of Prayer) is an international movement that is more than 170 years old. Each month, the Pope puts forward a prayer intention & asks Catholics around the world to join him in prayer. These intentions cover all sorts of areas of life, encouraging faith, renewing hope & calling us to loving service. Praying each month 'The Pope Video' forms part of the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network – view at www.thepopevideo.org. Pope's intention for October:

Intention for evangelisation - Missionary Disciples: *We pray that every baptised person may be engaged in evangelisation, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.*

Year of St Joseph Monthly Reflection 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 & character. Bishop Gregory Homeming OCD reflects on "St Joseph- A Hidden Life" <https://catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph>

Star of the Sea Parish, South West Coast

Bishop Paul Bird CSsR decreed the establishment of a new parish in the diocese, Star of the Sea, South West Coast, as at October 1, 2021. The new parish covers the area of the former parishes of Dennington, Koroit, Port Fairy, Warrnambool & Warrnambool West. Fr John Fitzgerald, Moderator & Fr John Corrigan, Co-Pastor, will continue their service in the new parish. More info available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/pnews/star-of-the-sea-parish-south-west-coast/>

CatholicCare Victoria - Free Mental Health & Wellbeing Guide

CatholicCare Victoria has been supporting the Ballarat community for almost 45 years. To help in these tough times, we've developed a free guide to mental health & wellbeing, created by regional Victorians, for regional Victorians. Download your copy today at https://www.catholiccarevic.org.au/campaign/13/mental-health-and-wellbeing-guide?utm_medium=social&utm_source=facebook&utm_campaign=mental-health&utm_content=ballarat&fbclid=IwAR26onSC87f6p89AMoli_Conf5W_cYPyRTwsDKzWwMk4xREnbkTGzUvo7ec

For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission

In March 2020, Pope Francis announced that the theme for the XVI Ordinary General Assembly Synodal Church of the Synod of Bishops would be "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation & Mission". The journey towards the celebration of the Synod in October 2023 will solemnly open on October 9-10, 2021 in Rome, & on October 17 in each particular Church. For more information go to <https://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>

Light from the Southern Cross-Catalyst for Conversation Series

The 2nd online conversation 'Synodality & Co-Responsibility' will be held on **Monday, Nov 1**. Speakers & Topics: Rev. Assoc Prof Orm Rush (ACU): *The Roots of the Synodality in the Vision of Vatican II*; Most Rev Shane Mackinlay, Bishop of Sandhurst: *Discovering Synodality by trying it out: Reflections on the First Assembly of the Plenary Council*; Ms Teresa Brierley, Director Pastoral Ministries, Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle: *The long & winding Road: 30 years of discovery*.

For more information go to <https://www.catholicreligious.org.au/events/synodality-and-co-responsibility>

The First General Assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia has opened:

To see updates from the diocese go to <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/news-events/e-news/>

Watch the live-streamed Mass & access other information on the Plenary Council website at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

We continue to extend to people in the diocese an invitation, another opportunity, to engage in the process & to listen deeply to the voice of the Spirit. **PLEASE SEE ATTACHED HANDOUT.** Please feel free to complete this, while the Assembly is still continuing, with thoughts and observations and email to pastoralministry@ballarat.catholic.org.au Any submissions will be forwarded to the Diocesan Members to the Plenary Council. Another way of supporting the Plenary Council is through prayer or watch this video <https://youtu.be/HXor1YbKaPs>

PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

Remember O Most pure spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, my great protector, Saint Joseph, that no one ever had recourse to your protection or implored your aid without obtaining relief. Confiding therefore in your goodness, I come before you. Do not turn down my petitions, foster father of the Redeemer, but graciously receive them, Amen.