



## THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF GORDON

St. Brigid's, Ballan ~ St. Patrick's, Gordon ~ St. Michael's, Springbank

Parish Priest: Fr. Justin Driscoll - ☎ 5368 9280

Parish Leadership Team: Sue Daly, Joan Bourke, Shane Carey, Marie Shanahan, Brendan Maher, Nola Kersley

Ex-Officio members: Paul McDowell & Jayne Bosworth. Safeguarding Officer: Aileen Toohey

Parish Secretary/ Parish Office (Tuesdays 9.30am-2.30pm): ☎ 5368 9280 or 0492 903 409

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**PARISH VISION:** That all parishioners and visitors are welcomed as family and nourished as the Body of Christ

We are a child-safe Parish. We follow Child Safe Standards as directed by the Professional Standards Office of the Catholic Diocese of Ballarat.

Parish Schools

**St. Brigid's Primary School**

Principal: Ms Jayne Bosworth:

☎ 5368 1015

[www.sballan.catholic.edu.au](http://www.sballan.catholic.edu.au)

**St. Patrick's Primary School**

Principal: Mr Paul McDowell

☎ 5368 9495

[www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au](http://www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au)

### Collections last weekend

**Presbytery:** \$524.20

**Parish:** \$485.00

**Ballan Community Meeting:** A very successful gathering of St Brigid's Church community was held after Mass on Sunday October 23<sup>rd</sup> with approximately 30 people in attendance. Expressions of interest were sought for various ministries in the community including Funeral ministry, Leadership Team, Music and Liturgy and Sacristans as well as an acknowledgement of the wonderful ministries that continue at the Hostel, St Vincent de Paul, Baptism Coordination, Liturgy, Building inspection and maintenance, Thursday prayer and Biblical formation. Nola Kersley has accepted an appointment to the Parish Leadership Team. Thank you to all for such a positive, hope-filled meeting.

**Mass at St Brigid's Church, Ballan:** No Mass this Thursday.

**Cemetery Mass – 27 November:** Mass commences at 11 am. Limited seating available, so, please bring a chair. If the weather forecast is for inclement weather, mass will be held at St Patrick's Church, Gordon. The Mass at Ballan will be celebrated at 8.45am on that day.

**Community Meeting:** Fr Justin will convene a Community Meeting at the Gordon Church, Sunday, 4 December after 8.45 am Mass.

**Christmas Gathering:** Dinner on Tuesday, 6 December at Donegan's Farm, 6.30pm; Cost \$30 per head. Please complete the *Christmas Dinner Booking Form* after mass or call the Parish Office on 53689280.



## 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 Leadership Team: Damien Ryan, Barry Sheehan, Di Reynolds, Dom Prendergast,

Marty Forbes, Chris Frawley & Inez French.

Parish Secretary/ Parish Office (Thursday 9.30am-2.30pm): ☎ 5334 0450 or 0492 903 409

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Parish Schools

**St. Mary's School, Clarkes Hill**

Principal: Inez French ☎ 5334 5280

[www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au](http://www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au)

**St. Brendan's School, Dunnstown**

Principal: Inez French ☎ 5334 7604

[www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au](http://www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au)

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### Collections last fortnight:

**Presbytery:** \$NA

**Parish:** \$NA

**Parish Leadership Team:** We welcome Chris Frawley to our Leadership Team. Chris will join Damien Ryan as the Parish representatives for the Bungaree community.

**Bungaree Church Cleaning:** Thank you to everyone who has assisted in cleaning the Bungaree church throughout

2022. The annual deep clean will take place on Monday 5th December at 7.00 p.m. Both men and women, as well as new volunteers would be very welcome. Anyone wishing to join the roster for 2023, please contact Debbie Ryan on 533402234.

	READER/INTERCESSION	OFFERTORY	WEEKDAY MASSES
<b>19/20 November 2022</b>	<b>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe 2 Thess 3:7-12, Col 1:12-20</b>		
Dunnstown – 6.30 pm	Dianne Reynolds		Tuesday – 9.30am Bungaree
Gordon – 8.45 am	To be Advised		Wednesday – 9.30am Bungaree
Ballan – 10.30 am	Marie Shanahan		Thursday – 9.30am Bungaree
<b>26/27 November 2022</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent (Year A) Isa 2:1-5, Rom 13: 11-14</b>		
Clarkes Hill – 6.30 pm	Helen Mahar		Friday – 9.30am Bungaree
<b>Gordon Cemetery – 11 am</b>	Readers to be confirmed		Saturday – 9.30am Bungaree
Ballan – 8.45 am*	Catherine Green		Holy Hour – 1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month
<b>3/4 December 2022</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent (Year A) Isa 11: 1-10; Rom 15:4-9</b>		
Dunnstown – 6.30 pm	Trish Ryan		Friday- Benediction after 9.30 am mass
Gordon – 8.45 am	To Be Advised		Saturday-Reconciliation after 9.30am mass
Ballan – 10.30 am	Bert Jarvis		

## LITURGIES /WEEKDAY MASSES

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

	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 6.30pm	Dunnstown	Springbank	Dunnstown	Clarks Hill	Springbank
Sun 8.45am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan

Korobeit Sat 6.30pm ~ Creswick Sunday 9am ~ Daylesford Sunday 10.30am

Christ the King, tryptic, Saint James the Greater Church, Saint Louis, Missouri



**Recent Deaths:** Alfredo Barbara (Funeral: St Brigid's Ballan, Friday 25 November at 1.30pm)

**Anniversaries:** Richard Butler, Maudie Smallman, Joe Fitzpatrick, Mary Ryan, Jack McEldrew, Steven Tingate, Katherin Mary Clarke, Louise Jarvis, Frank Bartaska, Michael Dyer & Mary Canty, Geraldine Nihill, James Britt, Thomas Bawden, Graeme Mason, Mathew Steenhuis, Kath O'Hehir, Vincent Maher, Margaret Tynan, Barry Flynn, Mary Maher, Carmen Maher, Jack Glenane and Kevin Glenane.

**We offer our prayers for the sick:** Anna Bartaska, Lyla Geary, Christine Hall, Mary Cassar, Michelle Hall, Louise Smith, George Roberts, Thelma Keating, Moira Myers, Noel Craven, Alice Gardiner and Chaiel Balcombe Jackson.

**Baptism:** We welcome George Carey, son of Daniel and Jornita, who will be baptized this Sunday at St Patrick's Church, Gordon into our faith community. *Lord God, strengthen your Spirit in them, so that they may walk in the newness of life.*

**Pope's intention for November: For children who suffer:** *Let us pray for children who are suffering, especially for those who are homeless, orphans and victims of war. May they be guaranteed access to education, and may they have the opportunity to experience family affection.*

**Red Wednesday – November 23:** Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) invites you to pray for and stand in solidarity with the 200+ million Christians persecuted for their faith. In Australia, ten Cathedrals will be lit in red, with some holding Masses and prayer vigils. Parishes may like to hold a prayer hour or pray the rosary. Visit: [www.aidtochurch.org/redwednesday](http://www.aidtochurch.org/redwednesday).

**The Victorian State Election and the Common Good:** The Bishops of Victoria have written to the Catholic community in Victoria to provide an election guide designed to help Catholics consider and navigate key issues of significance, particularly those related to the common good. Documents available at <https://melbournecatholic.org/stateelection2022>

**House of Welcome Ballarat Garden Party – December 5:** Supporting refugees, asylum seekers and vulnerable people on Sunday at 30 Waller Avenue, Newington at 2.00pm. \$20 entry for a day of music, stalls, afternoon tea and more. For info, go to: <https://www.facebook.com/House-of-Welcome-Ballararat-678888368880979/> or email [annekav123@gmail.com](mailto:annekav123@gmail.com)

**Helping those affected by floods:** St Vincent de Paul Society has established a Victorian Flood Appeal. Contributions can be made by: Call 13 18 12 or visit <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-vic/vinnies-vic-flood-appeal-2022>. Make a monetary donation thro' any Vinnies Shops at point of purchase via your local IGA where the purchase of a token supports the recovery of Victorians devastated by these recent floods.

**Synod of Bishops Continental Stage:** The Church around the world has entered the Continental Stage for the Synod of Bishops on Synodality. Groups around the country are praying with and responding to the Document for the Continental Stage, which was published recently. Download prayer resources, including for use in liturgies, read the document and access the submission portal at [www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch](http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch)

**The next phase of Synod on Synodality:** The National Centre for Pastoral Research is inviting expressions of interest for next round of consultation for the global Synod of Bishops on Synodality. Groups assisted by a reflection guide being produced by the national Synod of Bishops committee will be able to gather and share their feedback online. If you wish to coordinate a group, email the NCP's Stephen Reid ([stephen.reid@catholic.org.au](mailto:stephen.reid@catholic.org.au)).

### Advent Anointing Masses (Parish of Gordon)

St Brigid's Ballan at 10.30am Thursday December 15<sup>th</sup> St Patrick's Gordon at 10.30am Tuesday December 20<sup>th</sup> and Ballan Hostel at 10.30am Thursday December 22<sup>nd</sup>

### Christmas Mass Times

Parish of Gordon - Christmas Eve Masses (Saturday December 24<sup>th</sup>)  
5.30pm St Brigid's Ballan 6.30pm St Patrick's Gordon 7.00pm St Michael's Springbank

Parish of Bungaree (Times to be confirmed)

### Parishes of Daylesford and Creswick

8.30pm Daylesford Christmas Eve and 9.00am Creswick Christmas Day