

Pentecost Sunday (Year A): 27/28 May 2023

Our Parish acknowledges this land's traditional owners and custodians and pay our respects to Elders past, present, and 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
 Parish Leadership Team: Sue Daly, Joan Bourke, Shane Carey, Brendan Maher, Nola Kersley, Mark Conlan
 Ex-Officio members: Paul McDowell & Jayne Bosworth. Safeguarding Officer: Aileen Toohey
 Parish Secretary/ Parish Office (Wednesday/Thursday 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
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Collections last week

Presbytery: \$575.40	Parish: \$ 730.40
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Easter Dues: \$50.00

Thank You: We sincerely thank all parishioners who give so generously to these collections.

Mass at Ballan: Fr Justin will celebrate 10.30am Mass at Ballan next Thursday June 1st.

Parish Maintenance & Repairs: The fence and front gates at St Brigid's Church were repaired and painted during

March and April. Work on the Gathering Space's window frames and windows is ongoing. The toilets at St Patrick's Church are currently being repainted.

Mass Counts from weekend May 6-7 to May 27-28:

The Annual Diocesan Mass Count will finish this weekend. Please collate the weekly counts for the four weeks and leave the completed form/s in the churches. The completed forms will be collected after this weekend's mass.

ST. MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC PARISH ~ BUNGAREE

We are child safe Parishes, committed to safeguarding children, young people & vulnerable adults.

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, Dianne Reynolds, Dom Prendergast, Marty Forbes, Chris Frawley & 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
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Collections last fortnight:

Presbytery: \$411.00	Parish: \$195.00
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Thank You: We are very grateful to all our parishioners for their contributions to these collections.

Welcome Home – Fr Sajan:

We are very happy that Fr Sajan has returned from his holiday in India, after spending time with his father, family and friends. We look forward to hearing about his visit and his impressions of Indian society since his last visit. Please note, the regular weekday masses have resumed.

Sacramental Program:

Dates for the Sacramental Program will be published in next weekend's newsletter.

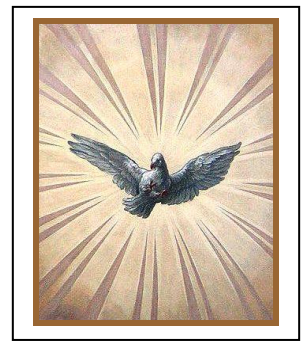
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	READER/INTERCESSION	OFFERTORY	WEEKDAY MASSES
27/28 May 2023	Pentecost Sunday Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12: 3-7, 12-13		
Ballan – 6.00 pm	Catherine Green	Edith & Tony Paarhammer	Tuesday – 9.30am Bungaree
Clarkes Hill – 6.30 pm	Tim Bennett	Jill Prendergast	Wednesday – 9.30am Bungaree
Gordon – 8.45 am	To be Advised		Thursday – 9.30am Bungaree
3/4 June 2023	The Most Holy Trinity Ex 34: 4-6, 8-9; 2 Cor 13: 11-13		
Dunnstown – 6.30 pm	Liz Hanrahan		Friday – 9.30am Bungaree
Gordon – 8.45 am	To be Advised		Saturday – 9.30am Bungaree
Ballan – 10.30 am	Bert Jarvis	Sue & Mark Conlan	
10/11 June 2023	The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ Deut 8:2-3, 14-16; 1 Cor 10: 16-17		
Springbank – 6.30 pm	To be Advised		Friday- Benediction after 9.30 am mass
Bungaree – 8.45 am	To Be Advised		Sat -Reconciliation after 9.30am mass
Ballan – 10.30 am	Julie Dargan	Rosemary & Michael Canavan	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	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					

Fresco, pentecostal dove, Karlskirche (St. Charles Borromeo Church), Vienna. User: Manfreed, 25/02/2006.



Recent Deaths: William Borchert (Debbie Goldie's father), Chris Holt (Daylesford), Kevin Polkinghorne (Ballarat North)

Anniversaries: Alice Carey, Anna Maria Greene, Brian Maher, Jim Keating, Fredrick Gilles, Calvert Croxson Clarke, Paul Reddie, Peter Frichot, Pat Moran, Mora Mahar, Con Sheehan, Gerard Cullinan, Peter Auchetti, John Bourke, Marg Cahir, Winnie Flynn, William Jones, Tom White (Snr).

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

Parish of Gordon: Celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation

As we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, our parish is celebrating the sacrament of Confirmation at the 6.00pm Vigil Mass at St Brigid's Ballan, with our ten children who have been part of the Parish coordinated, family based and Catholic school supported sacrament program.

We welcome Bishop Paul Bird CSsR to our Parish to confirm the candidates and we welcome all families and friends who have come to celebrate with us. Thank you to Therese Winter who coordinates the sacramental preparation for our parish and we also thank Jayne Bosworth and Paul McDowell, the Principals of our two parish schools as well as Libby Jerram, the Religious Education Leader at St Pat's Primary in Gordon.

Having been baptised and now confirmed, our candidates – Sophie Barton, Anni Clarke, Meg Conroy, Milly Conroy, Conor Donohue, Sienna Kenna, Grace Monterosso, Lillianna Moshoudis, Thomas Sims and Nate Toohey – will celebrate their first Eucharist (communion) at Parish Masses on Sunday August 6th (Gordon) and Sunday August 20th (Ballan).

We also have children preparing for baptism, confirmation and first Eucharist (communion).

We pray for all of our children as they celebrate these sacraments of initiation.



Laudato Si' Week: May 21-28, 2023: Interested in learning and doing more?

The theme for the 2023 *Laudato Si'* Week is "Hope for the Earth, Hope for Humanity". This annual celebration allows us to commemorate the eighth anniversary of Pope Francis' historic encyclical, *Laudato Si'*: "On the care of Creation".

The Vatican urges parishes to view the documentary **The Letter: a message for our Earth** which was released in October 2022. Watch together as a parish community or view at home at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rps9bs85BII>

Would like to join the Laudato Si' Platform?

Discuss with Fr Justin or Fr Sajan whether your parish can register as an Earthcare Parish at <https://catholicearthcare.org.au/earthcare-parishes/> For more information, contact Jillian Hogbin, ph 5337 7117 or email caritas@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Prayer: May 21-28, 2023:

The theme for the 2023 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is "Do good; seek justice." (Isaiah 1:17). The Australian context for this theme is, "Learn to do good - Seek justice - Rescue the oppressed - Defend the orphan, plead for the widow".

The focus of this week Christian Unity is an understanding of the history of Christianity in Australia, and how reconciliation initiatives seek to heal divisions caused by injustices. Further information go to <https://www.ncca.org.au/about-faith-unity>

Indigenous Voice to Parliament: Moments for healing this country

Catholic Social Services Victoria (CSSV) and Catholic Social Services Australia (CSSA) are pleased to invite you to a series of webinars to discuss the upcoming referendum on Constitutional Recognition for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples and the Voice to Parliament on Thursdays May 25, June 29 and July 27 from 4.00pm - 5.00pm (AEST) via zoom. Cost is \$12.00 per session or \$30.00 for all 3 Sessions. Register at <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1052799?eid=1052799&>. Enquiries: Kate Stilwell, Email office@css.org.au