

## St. Mary of the Cross (Year B): ~ 7-8 August 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, Gabrielle Driscoll and Paul McDowell

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

Principal: Ms Gabrielle Driscoll ☎ 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 in Church last weekend

Loose	Presbytery: \$381.15	Parish: \$160.00
Planned Giving	Envelopes 2020/21:	\$532.00

newsletters will be available for pickup before the regular weekend masses during August.

#### COVID-19 Safe Guidelines:

All parishioners are requested to follow COVID-19 Safe Guidelines:

- Always wash your hands before, and when you return home
- Keep at least 1.5 metres between yourself and others
- Never, ever go out if you are unwell unless it is to get tested
- Get vaccinated if you are eligible
- FACE MASKS ARE MANDATORY INSIDE THE CHURCH

Remember to check-in using the Service Victoria QR Code app or complete the sign-in register.

#### COVID – Mass Attendance

The number of persons wishing to attend week-end masses will be restricted due to COVID density quotients. If you have any queries please contact the Parish Secretary on 0492903409.

For those parishioners unable to attend mass this week-end, copies of this week's Combined Newsletter will be placed outside of St Michael's Church Springbank and St. Brigid's Church Ballan for pick up.

For parishioners who do not receive the Combined Newsletter via the Parish Bulletin email, copies of the 18 July and 25 July

### 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

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)

#### Collections last weekend:

Presbytery: \$306.00	Parish: \$385.00
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and 25 July newsletters will be available for pickup before the regular weekend masses during August.

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	READER/INTERCESSIONS	OFFERTORY	WEEKDAY MASSES
<b>7/8 August</b>	<b>St Mary of the Cross (MacKillop) 1 Kings 17: 8-16; Col 3: 12-17</b>		
Springbank-6.30pm	Sue Daly		Tuesday – 9.30am Bungaree
Bungaree-8.45am	Julie & Sophie Boyd		Wednesday – 9.30am Bungaree
Ballan-10.30am	Catherine Green, Sandra Miller		Thursday – 9.30am Bungaree
<b>14/15 August</b>	<b>The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Apoc 11: 19; 12: 1-6, 10; Lk 1: 39-56</b>		
Dunnstown-6.30pm	Hugh Ryan		Friday – 9.30am Bungaree
Gordon-8.45am	Maria Donegan, Eddie Davis		Saturday – 9.30am Bungaree
Ballan-10.30am	Marie Shanahan, Julie Dargan		Holy Hour – 1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday of each Month
<b>23/24 August</b>	<b>21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Josh 24: 1-2, 15-18; Eph 5: 21-32</b>		
Clarkes Hill-6.30pm	Marty Forbes, Helen Mahar		Friday- Benediction after each 9.30 am mass
Gordon-8.45am	Therese Winter, Debbie Goldie		Saturday- Reconciliation after 9.30 am mass
Ballan-10.30am	Margaret Green, Mark Conlan		

## LITURGIES /WEEKDAY MASSES

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

	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
<b>Sat 6.30pm</b>	Dunnstown	Springbank	Dunnstown	Clarkes Hill	Springbank
<b>Sun 8.45am</b>	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
<b>Sun 10.30am</b>	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan
Korobeit Sat 6.30pm ~ Creswick 8.45am ~ Daylesford 10.30am					

**Recent Deaths:** John Green, Tom White

**Anniversaries:** Vince O'Neil, Carmel Grano, Clare Creaney, Frank White, Jack Everard, Brendan Nihill, Michael Patmore, Joseph Gerada, Maureen Rolls, Sam Galea, Scott Dupoy, Eily Mahoney, Celie Mullane, Margaret Frawley, Biddy Murphy, Patrick McDermott, Barry Duffin, Rene Hanrahan and Marie Leonard.

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

**Baptisms:** We welcome Zoe Maher who will be baptised this weekend at St. Patrick's Church, Gordon into our faith community. We also celebrate the anniversary of the following recent baptisms: Lacey Toohey and Millicent Simpson. *Lord God, strengthen your Spirit in them, so that they may walk in the newness of life.*

### 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 and character. Lara Kirk, Marriage, Family and Relationships Co-ordinator for the Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn, reflects on "The Holy Family" <https://catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph>

### Social Justice Sunday – August 29, 2021

The Bishops' Social Justice Statement 2021-22: *Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor*, affirms that "we human beings need a change of heart, mind, and behaviour". It draws from Scripture, from the theological tradition, from Catholic Social Teaching and from the wisdom of the world including First Nations. Download the statement from the ACBC Office for Social Justice website: <https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/2021/06/24/social-justice-statement-2021-22/>

### Plenary Council Prayer Campaign - Fan the Flame: Towards Plenary Assembly One October 2021

A national campaign has been launched to support a prayerful build-up to the first assembly of the Plenary Council. The "Fan the Flame" campaign is offered as resources for individuals and groups of various sizes and contexts who are providing essential support by praying for the Council journey and specifically for the Council assemblies. Resources are available from <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthefflame/>

*'Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and gave them out to all who were sitting ready'* John 6:1-15. *How does God's grace move God's people to ask questions grounded in the call we received at Baptism: How do we better nourish, accompany, give witness, support, invite, welcome, engage and be present to others, such that we all grow in holiness? (Prayerful and Eucharistic – Discernment Paper p. 6)* [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthefflame/](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthefflame/)

### CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal

This weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. CatholicCare Victoria delivers counselling and mental health services, specialised support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seeker help, support for separating families, homelessness support and pastoral care. CatholicCare Victoria works with individuals, families and communities, to build strength, resilience, and empowerment to reach their full potential. Please donate to CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. Your support and generosity will help the vulnerable and marginalised in our community and empower everyone to reach their full potential. You can donate online at [www.catholiccarevic.org.au](http://www.catholiccarevic.org.au) or call (03) 9287 5513.



Mary Helen MacKillop RSJ  
(15 Jan 1842 – 8 Aug 1909)

### Mary MacKillop Prayer

Ever generous God,  
You inspired Saint Mary MacKillop  
To live her life faithful to the Gospel of Jesus Christ and constant in bringing hope and encouragement to those who were disheartened, lonely or needy.  
With confidence in your generous providence and through the intercession of Saint Mary MacKillop  
We ask that you grant our request ....  
We ask that our faith and hope be fired afresh by the Holy Spirit so that we too, like Mary MacKillop, may live with courage, trust and openness.  
Ever generous God hear our prayer. We ask this through Jesus Christ.  
Amen.